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GERMANS HURL IN ENTIRE WEIGHT

LONDON, TO-DAY.

REUTER LEARNED FROM AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS IN LONDON YESTERDAY AFTERNOON THAT THE POSITION IS CONSIDERED GRAVE.

German armoured divisions have broken through the French lines and penetrated some distance into French territory.

The place they have broken through was not the real Maginot Line but was the extension covering the Belgian frontier, which had been built in the last 12 months. The dent in the line has now become a bulge.

The German success is mainly due to the new technique of clearing the ground by heavy tank attacks supported by low-flying bombers.

In this respect authoritative quarters said the British air force had already put up a magnificent show. German aeroplanes avoided contact whenever possible and man to man and machine to machine the British air forces were definitely superior.

It is thought this was possibly due to the lack of petrol in Germany and therefore the lack of practice for German pilots.

The Germans had gained considerable ground and on points have won the first round. But it was only the first round and statesmen both in London and Paris were equally confident of the ultimate result.

Next Thrust Where?

The future line of German attacks was uncertain. It might be to the north-west to cut off Allied communications, or in the south-west.

But meanwhile the French are gathering their resources to strike at both flanks of the bulge and there is reason to suppose that the German armoured divisions had already run out of their supplies of petrol.

Authoritative quarters said it was estimated that five-sixths of the total

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NAZIS CLAIM ENTRY INTO BRUSSELS

Berlin, To-day.

A German High Command communique states that following the collapse of the British and French positions south of Louvain, German troops marched into Brussels late yesterday afternoon.

After heavy fighting, German troops broke through the dyke position north of Louvain and have captured Malines, according to the German news agency. Reuter.

OXFORD SHOOTING SENSATION

London, To-day.

A shooting affray in the quadrangle of University College, Oxford, yesterday resulted in the death of an undergraduate, C. F. L. Moffat, and the wounding of two others.

Four shots were heard as undergraduates were coming from hall. The gates of the Lodge were immediately closed and the police summoned.

J. H. Fullsames, first year undergruate of University College, Oxford, appeared before the Magistrate at Oxford last night on a charge of murder in connexion with the shooting. He was committed to the next Court on Tuesday.—Reuter.

CHURCHILL TRIUMPHS

London, To-day.

Mr. Winston Churchill visited Paris on Thursday, it is now learned to confer with the French Government.

The visit was taken after the receipt of reports which enabled them to get a full appreciation of the military situation.

Mr. Churchill took his military advisors with him and had conversations with M. Reynaud, M. Daladier and General Gamelin.

Mr. Churchill had one of the greatest triumphs of his career on his visit, according to well-informed circles in Paris.

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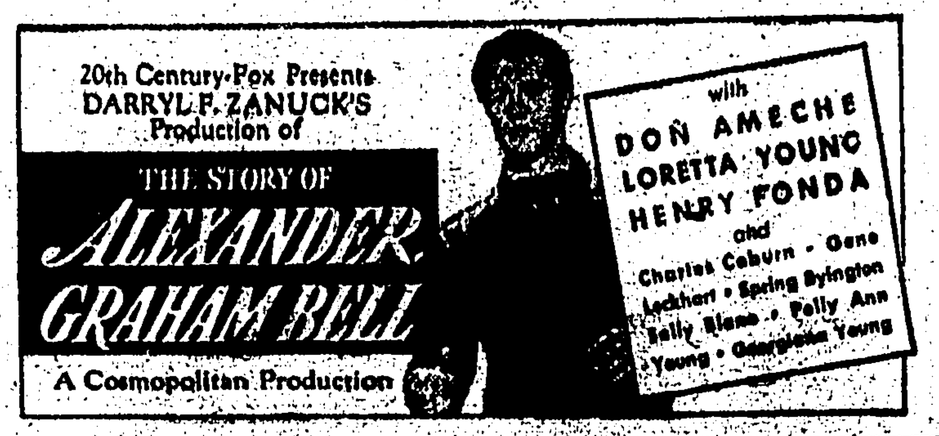

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Examination for Teacher's Diploma: Associate (A.T.C.L.) Practical Work only:—Cecilia Maria Passos.

HIGHER LOCAL DIVISION

Pass with merit: May Chan Chun-mui, Vivian Woo, Alice Yui (Musicianship).

Pass: Marion Cheng, Melba Maria de Sousa, Emily Yui (Musicianship), Katherine Yipp, Virginia Yvanovich (Musicianship).

ADVANCED SENIOR DIVISION

Honours: Chan Yun Yee.

Pass: Lilian Luk, Gloria Woo.

SENIOR DIVISION

Honours: Chen Mae Ying, Lily Lien Sung (Musicianship), Aurelia Wu.

Pass with merit: Joy Beryl Jean Carey, Mary Ching Ming Yui, Fung Lin Yee, Kathleen Lee, Julia Leong, Lui Sook Ching, Sister Rachele Plebani, Hazel Sclater, Shin Ching Yung, Amy Tsang, Tse Lai Ching, Mona Wong, Anna Wong, Jennie Wong Kock Ying.

Pass: Esther Chan, Vera Dhabher, Vera Dhabher (Violin), Etienne Dinh-Van-Do (Violin), Dorothy Luk, Marion Liu, Lui Sook Chun, Marina MacKechnie, Norma Tsang.

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

Honours: Margaret Bien, Ethel Ruth Iola Edmonds, Hui Yin Kan, Mui Fook Kei, Queenie Wong.

Pass with merit: Constance Basto, Yvonne Blackmore, Fung Sik Mang, Janet Hall, Laura Ip, Kwok Bik Yiu, Kin Ling Ma, Betty Lee, Marion Lee Luk Lai Saan, Ng Tak Ching, Ng Yuen Ching, Maizie Reis, Thavi Vangtal, Wong Shuk Yiu.

Pass: Angela Chang, Stella Ming, Gloria June Moss.

JUNIOR DIVISION

Honours: Au Yang Yee Cho, Margaret Jessie Hume, Destine Mary Horwood (Musicianship), Hui Woon Chuen, Hui Yin Kui, Lau Mun Yink, Vera Litter, Billy Moy (Violin), Florence L. Wedlock, Claire Van Wylick.

Pass with merit: Luba Besedish, Antonio Baptista, Crispina N. V. Carlos, Jenny Chang, Robina Heggie Cheesman, Myrtle Chan, Fung Po Yuk, Elizabeth Jean Gittins, Fe Grefalda, Lau Shiu Yan, Liu Nien Si, Betty Lee (Singing), Annie C. Mackenzie, Manuela Nunes, Hellen Chua Tiampo (Musicianship), Wong Man Long.

Pass: Rafaela Go (Musicianship), Fern E. Ellis, Betty Siu.

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Honours: Robert Baines, Alison King, Dorothy Kwan (Musicianship), Elisabeth Millar, Patricia Ma, Reginald Henry Martin, Shin Ka Chuen, Iris Sun, Young Wai Man, Young Sook Fun.

Pass with merit: Cynthia Lo, Monica Lim, Lai Kwun Wo, Masako Shiga, Ronald Wong.

Pass: Fung Miu Wo.

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Pass with merit: Catharine C. Chan, Ivy Ho, Sylvia Maria dos Remedios, John F. Shand (Violin).

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Honours: Elsa Chan, Choy King Man, Cecilia Choa, Sumiko Fujita, Rosemary J. P. Guest, William Richard Hillyer, John McBride, Bernadette O'Donovan, Dorothy Anne Richards, Gustavo da Roza, Yasuko Sasahara, Jacqueline M. Xavier, Carmen Yuen, Betty Yip.

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The man who is looking for this island is Leon Orlowski, Polish Minister of Hungary, who is trying to help the refugees who fled to Hungary during the German-Russian invasion.

It is M. Orlowski's dream to see these 30,000 refugees, now scattered in camps in different parts of Hungary, settled down where they can find some sort of peace till the war is over.

He is trying to interest the International Red Cross and other organisations in his plan.

Hungary is already overcrowded, he said yesterday, and is hardly able to care for the Poles indefinitely. Moreover, it costs the Government nearly £150,000 a month for clothing, housing and food, apart from contributions from abroad.

"Given leave to settle on an island," M. Orlowski said, "our people could develop a community life. They could build roads, clear land and make themselves useful.

"They would not want to stay on an island for even. They hope—after the war—to go home."—Associated Press.

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GREAT WORK BY THE NAVY

ADVENTURES IN HOLLAND REVEALED

London, To-day.

DETAILS HAVE NOW BEEN released of the work performed by the Royal Navy in its usual inimitable style since the Nazis invaded the Low Countries.

The Navy had three tasks — to help evacuees, to lay mines and to help, when possible, British troops on shore.

Ships were sent immediately the German invasion began and faced a terrific air bombardment, many gun crews firing from dawn to dusk at the Nazi aircraft. Some of them landed British soldiers and Royal Marines to help the Dutch authorities deal with parachute troops and "Fifth Columnists."

The Germans had been laying magnetic mines at the entrances to all ports and British minesweepers were sent for to clear the channels. Minelayers, too, left within two hours of getting the order to proceed to Holland, and completed their task within five minutes of schedule.

British warships took off the Dutch Royal Family, and a destroyer which was taking Princess Juliana had a narrow escape. A magnetic mine was dropped into the sea only 40 yards ahead. It blew up with a terrific explosion, but the ship was not damaged.

A naval officer found Queen Wilhelmina standing calmly on a jetty. He asked her if he could be of any assistance. She replied that she would like to go to Flushing and did he know the way? Within 10 minutes, she was walking on board a British destroyer on the way to Flushing and then England.

Another naval officer saw refugees bombed and machine-gunned by Nazi 'planes as they tried to reach the ships.

One of the refugees, a Dutch diamond merchant, volunteered to go to Amsterdam to collect millions of pounds worth of diamonds.

Many securities were "ferried" over by a destroyer. They were collected by a British officer sent to the capital for that purpose.

The Zuider Zee

When German troops broke across the Zuider Zee, British motor torpedo-boats were sent on a journey across the North Sea and through canals to the Zuider Zee. This was probably the first time that British warships had ever been in that area.

When the British naval forces withdrew, some of the officers helped the Dutch authorities in demolition work, while other men went to Rotterdam to set on fire the oil supplies. The flames from the fires could be seen 50 miles out to sea.

Commenting on his experience, one British officer said that he seemed to be surrounded by spies and parachute troops. It was quite impossible to trust anyone.

An old 12,000-ton liner was scuttled to block Rotterdam harbour entrance, the lockgates were shut, machinery destroyed and everything which could be used by the enemy was wrecked before the Navy left.

Naval officers saw German Jewish refugees bombed and machine-gunned by German planes as they were attempting to reach the ships.

The report of one officer in charge of operations states: "I was very deeply impressed by the cheerful calm, confident bearing and conduct of the personell, both of the Navy and the Royal Marines, which was indeed beyond all praise."—Reuter.

NAZI OIL SUPPLIES SET ON FIRE

London, To-day.

It is officially announced that naval aircraft attacked enemy fuel supplies in the Bergen area on Thursday.

The destruction of fuel tanks at Slorgaaspynt was completed; two fuel tanks at Strudshaven were blown up and a further two at Knarven were set on fire.

All our aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

MARTIAL LAW IN HOLLAND

London, To-day.

According to the German-controlled Hilversum radio martial law has been decreed in the occupied parts of Holland.

The announcement is accompanied by a list of severe penalties for specified "crimes," including assisting civilians to escape from German occupied areas and giving information prejudicial to German interests.

The rate of exchange has been fixed at 1½ marks to one guilder. The military authorities' receipts must be accepted for purchases over 500 marks.

Dutch troops are to be employed in repairing damage.—Reuter.

RECRUITING IN S.A.

Capetown, To-day.

It has been proposed in South Africa that a battalion of Hollandars be formed to serve with the South African forces. It is hoped to mobilise about 800 men in this unit.

German invasion of the Low Countries has stimulated recruiting in South Africa, and new records have been set in Johannesburg and Durban.

In Kenya, it is officially announced that all Germans, including refugees, will be interned, as a precautionary measure.—Reuter.

REFUGEES POURING INTO PARIS

Paris, To-day.

So many refugees are arriving in Paris that the main northern entrances to the city were closed yesterday to all other traffic.

The U.S. Red Cross has sent £25,000 to help these Belgo/Dutch refugees.—Reuter.

NIZAM'S OFFER

Simla, To-day.

The Nizam of Hyderabad has offered the Viceroy, Lord Linlithgow £50,000 for the maintenance and equipment of the Hyderabad air squadron for which the Nizam had previously given £100,000. It is stated the squadron has already taken toll of enemy aircraft.—Reuter.

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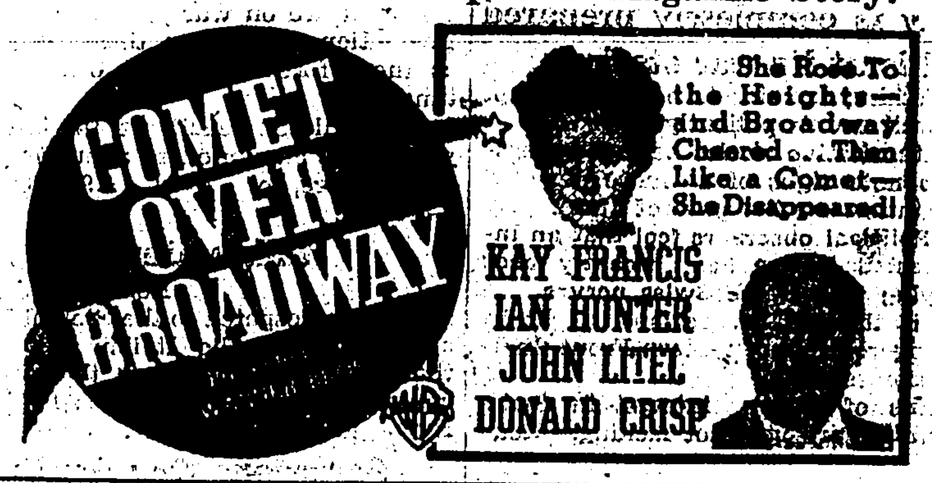

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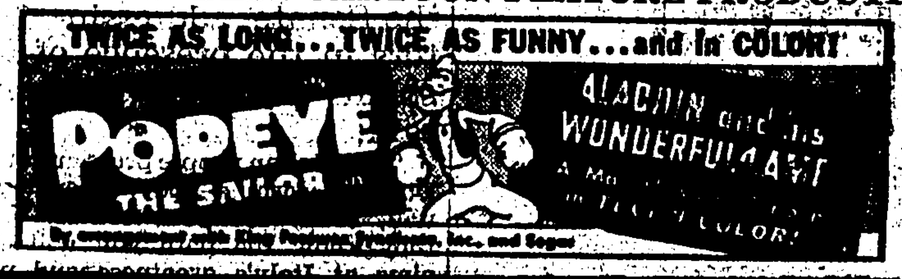

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ITALY STUDYING THE ROOSEVELT MESSAGE

Dwindling Hope Of Continued Non-Belligerency

Foreigners Leaving Country

ROME, TO-DAY.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE TO MUSSOLINI IS BEING "STUDIED CAREFULLY" ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL CIRCLES WHO STATE, HOWEVER, THAT AS THE MESSAGE IS OF A PERSONAL CHARACTER NO STATEMENT CAN BE MADE ABOUT ITS CONTENTS, AND ANY FORECAST OF IL DUCE'S REPLY WOULD BE PREMATURE.

In the meantime the number of political observers who so far have staunchly believed Italy would remain a non-belligerent, is dwindling.

Trains for the frontiers are fully booked by British and French subjects.

Nationwide demonstrations are being prepared for next Sunday which has been proclaimed "The day of Italians abroad."

The weekly review "Critica Fascista," directed by Signor Bottai, the Minister of Education, says British hegemony in the Mediterranean is intolerable.

"We must face the problem or lose our opportunity."

Count Ciano, the Foreign Minister, was scheduled to speak yesterday on the foreign affairs estimates but the estimates were passed, without any speech.—Reuter.

Cost Of Preparations

Rome, To-day.

The cost of Italy's "non-belligerency" was revealed by the Italian Defence Minister yesterday, when he reported a record deficit for all Italian budgets of about £250,000,000.

Expediture on war preparations and precautions was four times as great as those foreseen in the original estimates.

Accumulated deficits for the last five years now amounted to about 74,345,000,000 lire, or over £900,000,000.—Reuter.

Italian Denial

Rome, To-day.

A Cairo despatch to the Stefani news agency states the Italian Legation there has denied reports that Italian consuls had advised Italians living in Egypt to leave.—Reuter.

Sanctions Cry Again

Rome, To-day.

Count Suardo, President of the Senate, addressing Senators in the presence of Mussolini yesterday afternoon said:

"The Italian people press around you, Duce, to form a body of energy and will, ready for your orders, because they know the path you will choose aims at Italy's greatness and power.

"We are indignant at the new irritations which recall the coalition of 52 enemies against our single nation."

The speech followed the passing of the Budget which showed expenditure for 1939/40, estimated at 29 milliard lire, had risen to 36 milliards, and in consequence the deficit has risen from 4¾ milliards as estimated to 6¾ milliards.—Reuter.

NOTHING TO DO BUT WAIT

Berne, To-day.

After the Federal Council had examined the international situation at a long meeting yesterday afternoon, a high Swiss officer declared: "No further military measures need to be taken as the army is completely prepared and is at its war stations.

"Nothing remains to be done except to await events patiently."

Authoritative circles here are pleased to note signs of a more peaceful orientation on the part of Italy.

Political observers feel that an interested Power has recently been trying to test the Swiss nerves.

It is thought Switzerland might be endangered if the Western Front finally becomes static.

Signs of Italy's interest in Swiss neutrality are still not lacking.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT REARMAMENT PROGRAMME

Washington, To-day.

The realisation is spreading that President Roosevelt's defence proposals are but the beginning.

Treasury officials privately are discussing the expenditure of an additional $10,000,000,000 for defence before the end of 1942.

As Congress begins to attack the problem of passing the new defence programme, the press is busily reminding the nation that the new armaments must be paid for.

A widely suggested means is a steadily increased income tax.—Reuter.

GERMANS CALLED ON FOR SACRIFICES

London, To-day.

Germans were told of the necessity for further heavy sacrifices in an official Berlin broadcast yesterday.

The announcer declared: "We are fully aware that very difficult tasks still have to be performed. These tasks will heavily tax the self-sacrifice both of the army and the home front but we know no sacrifice for the sake of Germany's victory will be too great for them."—Reuter.

MYSTERY MINEFIELD

Capetown, To-day.

No victims are reported as a result of the minefield which has been discovered off Cape Agulhas, southernmost point of Africa, and the Defence Department is taking adequate steps to "liquidate" it.

The minefield is on the busiest shipping lane between Europe and the East since British ships were diverted from the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

RECRUITING IN EGYPT

Cairo, To-day.

Voluntary recruiting of British residents in Egypt for the local defence force began yesterday morning, and already there has been a considerable response.—Reuter.

CLIMAX IN ITALY EXPECTED IN NEAR FUTURE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Rome, To-day.

WHILE WILD RUMOURS continue to spread about Italy's imminent entry in the war on the side of Germany, the tension has somewhat abated and the tone of the Italian press is less aggressive towards France and Britain.

The police guards around the French and British Embassies and the Yugoslav Legation haven been reduced.

Foreign quarters are of the opinion that the tension in the Mediteranean will reach a climax within six or seven weeks, namely after the harvest which is a most important date for Italy.

Others expect Italy's entry in the war on May 24, the anniversary date of Italy's entry in the war on the Allies side in 1915.

Observers are of the opinion that the Fascist Government's efforts to stir up the Italian masses was premature and the anti-Allied out-bursts will be interrupted for some time.

Meanwhile, Italy is continuing "moral and diplomatic support" of Germany as heretofore.—Havas.

The appointment of Mr. J. H. Taggart to be Controller of Food is announced in the Gazette.

OFF THE RECORD — By ED REED.

"Don't you have ANY stenographer who wants to marry the boss' son?"

BRITISH REGRETS TO SWEDEN

London, To-day.

The British Government has expressed its regrets to Sweden over the accidental dropping of bombs by a British 'plane on Swedish territory near Narvik last Wednesday.—Reuter.

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BELGIAN GOVERNMENT LEAVES FOR OSTEND

Brussels, To-day.

M. VAN DER POORTEN, Minister of Interior, declared in a broadcast yesterday: "Our Government had to leave Brussels yesterday but is still in Belgium. This was a very sad decision but it was forced upon us owing to the force of circumstances."

The Minister announced to the nation the Government's removal from the capital to Ostend. Certain neutral Legations and a number of Government departments left Brussels for Ostend early in the week.

The American Ambassador has announced his intention to remain in Russels in order to fullfil the useful functions performed by the United States envoy in the last war.

The Italian Embassy staff is not being moved and the Spanish Embassy is maintaining a skeleton staff in the Belgian capital.

The atmosphere in Brussels yesterday was one of extreme calmness despite the German threat to bomb the city from the air.—Reuter.

General Staff Decision

Havas adds that the trip from Brussels to Ostend was a dangerous one owing to the fact that German planes, a few minutes before the Government's passage, bombed several cars loaded with refugees and officials.

The Argentine, Peruvian and Yugo-Slavian envoys have gone to Ostend, while the Papal Nuncio remains in Brussels.

The Government's move was made in agreement with the General Staff.

M. van der Poorten, in his broadcast, said the present situation, without being so grave, reminded them of the first weeks of the last war.

Same Redress

"We should soon be taking part in the same redress as then," he declared, and appealed to those responsible for arms to extend to their co-patriots their protection and devotion.

"Be closely united as brothers. Our thoughts are with so many families ruined, dispersed and decimated, those whose homes are burned and have to face the troubles of to-morrow.

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CHILDREN LEAVING EAST COAST AREAS

London, To-day.

Some thousands of children from the eastern outskirts of London, who were previously evacuated to Suffolk, are being re-evacuated to Wales this week-end.

Ten thousand children are involved in the transfer to South Wales. They also include children from Medway towns. They will be received in churches, schools and other buildings pending their accommodation in private houses.—Reuter.

FURTHER GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS

London, To-day.

Further Government appointments were announced from the Prime Minister's residence at 10, Downing Street, last night.

They include:—

War Office: Joint Parliamentary Under-Secretaries of State — Brigadier-General Sir Henry Page-Croft and Sir Edward Grigg.

Financial Secretary to the War Office—Mr. Richard Klaw.

Treasury joint Parliamentary Secretaries — Captain David Margesson and Sir Charles Edwards.

Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Economic Welfare — Mr. Dingle Foot.

Under-Secretary for India and Burma—the Duke of Devonshire.

Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty — Sir Victor Warrender.

Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Pensions — Miss Ellen Wilkinson.

Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Information — Mr. Harold Nicholson.—Reuter.

Political Composition

London, To-day.

The composition of the parties in the Government as a result of last night's appointments is:—

Conservatives 42
Labour 16
Simon Liberals 4
Opposition Liberals 4
National and Independent 7
National Labour 2

The Independent Ministers include Sir John Anderson, Sir Andrew Duncan, Lord Hankey, Sir John Reith, Lord Woolton, Lord Beaverbrook and Sir Arthur Salter.—Reuter.

SITUATION REASSURING

Brussels, To-day.

The Minister of National Defence, Lt.-Gen. Denis, declared yesterday: "The situation is reassuring."—Reuter.

(Continued from next Column.)

Mr. N. Stockton, Mr. J. Wolfe, Mrs. F. Neill, Mrs. White, Mrs. A. W. Ingram, Miss J. Findlay.

ATTACK ON MASSIVE SCALE

Paris, To-day.

Last night's French war communique says: "To-day the German attack developed on a massive scale not only in Belgium but in the regions of Avesnes and Vervins.

On these fronts the enemy engaged the greater part of his heavy tank divisions, and the battle took on the aspect of a veritable melee.

Further to the east the enemy attacked in the region of Sedan and Montmedy without success.

In close collaboration with the Royal Air Force our aviation continued its energetic and efficacious action against land troops, road junctions and railways.

While assuring the protection of our troops, our fighters engaged in numerous encounters in the air. Many enemy planes were brought down. In the present circumstances of open warfare it is not possible to know the exact numbers.—Reuter.

ANZAC ASSOCIATION MEETING

THE PRESENCE IN FAR EASTERN WATERS OF NEARLY 1,000 AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND NAVAL RESERVISTS WAS THE SUBJECT OF CHIEF INTEREST AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION, WHICH WAS HELD IN THE GLOUCESTER BUILDING YESTERDAY EVENING.

The meeting unanimously decided that the future activities of the Association should be devoted to socially co-operating with the naval visitors, who are to be invited to join the Association as Associate members.

An enlarged Committee, headed by Mr. A. W. Hughes as President and Mr. S. T. Williamson as Vice-President was elected.

Invitations are to be sent to the personnel of the R. N. ships carrying Australian and New Zealand representatives to elect delegates to attend the Association's Committee Meetings.

The Association has decided to obtain a matshed which will be available at any time for naval personnel, and the Press was asked to make known to the public the Association's desires in this matter.

Subsequent to the General Meeting the new Committee held its first meeting and decided to arrange a function, at which naval Reservists will be guests of the Association on next Saturday.

The following is the new Committee: Mr. A. W. Hughes (President), Mr. S. T. Williamson (Vice-President), Mr. R. J. McNeill, (Hon. Secretary), Mr. G. Stokes (Hon. Treasurer) Miss E. Kelly (Convenor, Ladies sub-Committee), Mrs. H. Buxton (Convenor, Ladies sub-Committee), Dr. R. G. Shannon, Mr. L. Anderson, Mr. D. Murdoch,

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R.A.F. Again Raids Western Germany

VIGOROUS WORK TO STOP NAZI SUPPLIES

London, To-day.

R.A.F. BOMBERS AGAIN raided military objectives in western Germany on Thursday night and many direct hits were obtained in these operations, in which none of our aircraft was lost.

Attacks were made by medium bombers on enemy transport and petrol reserves bound for Sedan and several fires broke out; enemy thrusts in the Meuse Valley were fiercely and successfully attacked.

Pontoon bridges were blown up, roads blocked and marching troops bombed and machine-gunned.

The enemy were hampered and harassed at key points and mechanised units received heavy casualties.

There was intense activity in the B.E.F. area yesterday. Bombers made repeated determined attacks on mechanised columns.

The enemy have strong fighter protection; nevertheless our bombers inflicted great damage in low-flying attacks.

Supporting the French army, Blenheims made a sortie to attack the key position at Gembloux, and encountered a large formation of enemy fighters and intense anti-aircraft fire.

Eleven of our fighters failed to return.

DARING EXPLOITS

London, To-day.

Many daring exploits have gained for officers and N.C.O.'s awards for gallantry and devotion to duty.

Twelve Distinguished Flying Crosses and four Distinguished Flying Medals are awarded in the latest series of Air Ministry bulletins.

Among outstanding deeds was one in which an officer was compelled to land owing to shortage of petrol on the return flight from Warsaw, and found himself in a small field in Germany.

Despite the difficulties he managed to take off again and save the aircraft and crew.

An N.C.O. obtained a direct hit on a submarine in the Heligoland Bight.

Feat In Norway

One officer landed important passengers in Norway despite very bad weather all the time and persistent bombing attacks.

In another instance the navigator of an aircraft engaged in special night reconnaissance took control when the squadron leader was wounded and the controls and instruments damaged and brought the damaged aircraft back over 450 miles of sea. — Reuter.

Dawn Attack

R.A.F. fighters at dawn intercepted nine Dorniers about to bomb their aerodrome. Two were shot down and the rest disappeared.

Three other enemy aircraft were shot down when attacking a town in which the R.A.F. are quartered.

Light anti-aircraft batteries defending R.A.F. aerodromes have brought down at least 10 German planes in the last two days.—Reuter.

ALLIED PLANE ORDERS IN AMERICA

Washington, To-day.

The Anglo-French Purchasing Commission stated yesterday the Allies had ordered about 4,000 planes of all types in the United States at a cost of $650,000,000.—Reuter.

The Allies intend to spend about $600,000,000 more on the purchase of the latest types of machine recently made available.

About $350,000,000 has been spent on non-aviation supplies such as machine tools, munitions, electric equipment, clothing, horses, mules and so on. —Reuter.

POLITICAL TRUCE IN CANADA

Ottawa, To-day.

The Canadian opposition leader, Mr. Hanson, at the opening of the Commons yesterday, offered the Government his whole-hearted support and co-operation in view of the present situation overseas.

The Premier, M. Mackenzie King, read the House a brief communique regarding the situation which he termed "serious but not considered critical."—Reuter.

AMERICANS LEAVING VIA EIRE

London, To-day.

Between 4,000 and 5,000 U.S. citizens in Britain have been advised by the Embassy in London to leave for home.

Ships are being sent to the West Coast of Eire to pick them up, but, the Embassy officials reveal, there has, as yet, been no rush.—Reuter.

INCENDIARY BOMBS ON TOWNS

Paris, To-day.

The newspapers report that German warplanes dropped incendiary bombs on a civil and maternity hospital at Chalons-sur-Marne.

It is added that part of the township of Vitry-le-Francois is ablaze following the dropping of incendiary bombs.—Reuter.

INTENSE AIR ACTIVITY IN FRANCE

London, To-day.

All Thursday night and throughout yesterday intense air activity continued over the British Expeditionary Force area, says Reuter's special correspondent with the B.E.F.

Squadrons of British bombers again attacked Nazi mechanised columns and tanks thrusting northwards.

Strong formations of enemy warplanes also launched attacks but these have been beaten off with heavy losses.

Up to 3 p.m. yesterday 21 German machines had been destroyed by our aircraft and many others so badly damaged it is very unlikely they reached their bases.—Reuter.

R.A.F. CASUALTY LIST

London, To-day.

An R.A.F. casualty list issued yesterday contains 145 names, comprising 27 killed "including nine previously reported missing," one died of wounds or injuries, eight wounded or injured, 96 missing, nine died, four previously reported missing now reported prisoners of war.—Reuter.

OVER 1,000 GERMAN AIRCRAFT DESTROYED

London, To-day.

It is officially stated it is believed the German air force has lost over 1,000 aircraft since the invasion of the Low Countries.

The Air Ministry state that to the losses in the Low Countries must be added losses in Poland and Norway.

The announcement adds the German High Command yesterday gave Allied losses in aircraft as 1,462. It is thought they must have published their own losses in error.

Allied losses are only a small fraction of the German claims.

Despite these heavy inroads into the German air force fighting strength it must be understood their reserves are considerable and they are able for a time at least to sustain their efforts. —Reuter.

CURACAO'S STATUS

Willemstad, To-day.

A proclamation by the Governor of Curacao, declaring the islands are still Netherlands territory, the independence of which will be maintained by force of arms against aggressors, was read at a special session of Legislative Council yesterday.—Reuter.

VIOLENT GERMAN AIR RAID ON OPEN TOWN

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A FIRST-HAND EXPERIENCE OF A GERMAN AIR RAID ON AN OPEN TOWN IS TELEGRAPHED BY REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT ON THE FRANCO-BELGIAN FRONTIER.

The town, with its population of 130,000 inhabitants swollen by some 20,000 refugees, could not possibly be considered a military objective.

The correspondent, with colleagues, took cover on the ground beneath the bell tower while at least 40 bombs fell around, and from the railway station, where hundreds of refugees were camping, came thick clouds of smoke.

It was impossible to ascertain the number of casualties but the streets were filled with refugees who could not have had time to escape.

A second raid followed almost immediately and as the correspondents were leaving the town, ambulances were rushing past carrying victims to hospital.

Sheets of flame and thunderous explosions formed the correspondents' last glimpse of the stricken city.—Reuter.

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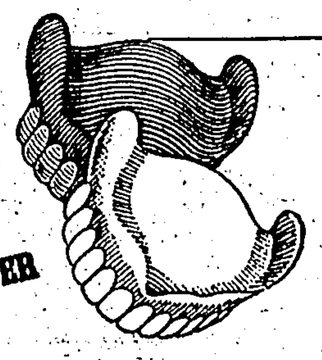

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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

SWEDEN

Referring to the sharp attitude of the Italian press towards Yugo-Slavia the "Stockholms Tidningen" declares:

Something is brewing in the Balkans. Doubtless Italy is satisfied if Germany is compelled to concentrate on Norway and is unable to turn her attention to the Balkans. Italy's and Russia's interests conflict in the Balkans, and it will be difficult to reconcile these two. If, however, the Norwegian campaign settles down to a long war one side or the other may be compelled to turn to the Balkans, and Italy will abandon her non-belligerent attitude. Italy's policy keeps every possibility open.

A German victory would mean the end of Sweden's existence as an independent State, according to the Liberal newspaper "Goteborgs Handels-och Sjofarts-Tidning", which writes:

The result of this war is already known. How is Sweden going to look then? No one should forget that if the big democracies did not fight the small nations would be finished.... We live like parasites on the great democracies. Against them we are unfriendly enough—what if they remember? In a weak Government's usual style ours seeks to hold the public in ignorance of what is happening by forbidding free speech and getting Ribbentrop's praise. We hope it does them good.

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EGYPT

Italy is unlikely to enter the war, in the view of "Al Shoala," the Wafdist periodical. Giving its reasons, this journal states:

The Italian fleet is bottled up in the Adriatic. Tripoli is hemmed in by the French in Algiers and Morocco. It is easy to cut off Italy's communications with her African Empire. The Italian coast is most vulnerable to sea attack, and the British and French navies are far stronger.

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JAPAN

Pointing out that Herr Hitler's "Mein Kampf" propaganda maxims obviously govern all German propaganda and that Herr von Ribbentrop's statement falls within that category, the "Japan Advertiser" in a leading article writes: "In fact it goes farther, for it distorts the truth to such an extent that it will impress no one outside Germany. The invasion of Denmark—significantly left unexplained by Ribbentrop—and of Norway was simply an act of German aggression committed against neutral States to serve the Reich's military purposes, and Germans will not be able to explain these invasions away by any speeches or White-book."

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BELGIUM

"Vooruit," the Socialist newspaper, declares: "If the Germans really believe that they can impress the neutrals by such declarations of their Foreign Minister we can only say that we do not understand them and they do not understand us. There is an abyss between their mentality ond ours. They really think that they are superior beings and everything is permitted to them. They think that they are always right and others are inferior imbeciles."

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SWITZERLAND

The "Journal de Geneve" writes of Herr von Ribbentrop: "His expose will be quoted in the annals of history as the most striking example of falsification of facts by a statesman which it is possible to find." The "Tribune de Geneve" says: "Ribbentrop's arguments about the Norwegian episode in no way excuse the violation of the non-aggression pact between Germany and Denmark." The "Basler Nachrichten" comments; "The neutrals will recall the words of a famous Swiss journalist on the German attempt to unmask Belgium by the publication of documents, 'Fishing for documents in the pocket of a writhing victim is bad taste. To slaughter him is quite enough, but to slander him afterwards is going too far."

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UNITED STATES

A leading article in the "New York Times" refers to Herr von Ribbentrop's "compliment to Sweden for a serious interpretation of her neutrality" and adds: "This clean bill of health from Hitler's Foreign Minister cannot bring the hard-pressed Swedes much relief from the terrible anxiety in which the invasion of Norway has placed them. Hitler has shown too many times that his word is good only until he takes it back, that his method is that of one victim at a time, and that he will butter with praise and lull into a false sense of security any nation which he has not marked for immediate assassination."

The "Portland Oregonian" declares: "Sweden's best chance for survival would be to enter the war now on the side of the Allies. By action now Sweden could probably save itself and its blood brother Norway. In a few weeks or months there may be no such chance."

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RUSSIA

A cynical view of Italian policy is contained in "Trud," the trade union organ, in an article entitled "Italy's position in the Mediterranean." After tracing the sequence of events in the Mediterranean since 1921 and giving quotations from Italian and other newspapers to illustrate the "growth of antagonism" between Italy on the one hand and Great Britain on the other, the article observes: "France seems prepared to pay a larger price than Great Britain for the continued non-participation of Italy in the war." The article concludes: "Italy's policy is, as usual, one of blackmail, by which she hopes to reap a rich reward without resorting to war."

FLYERS GUN OFFICERS

As a Commandant (Major) and one of his junior officers left their mess and stepped into the street of a village close to the German frontier, a Nazi plane swooped down and machine-gunned them.

The officers flattened themselves against the wall of a shop and heard bullets strike the road. The plane came down so silently that the pilot had obviously shut off his engine and sailed down.

WALL PROTECTION

After his one burst of fire he pulled the machine into a steep climb and went back to Germany.

On the walls of the village now are newly-painted warnings to the careless: "Hug the walls; wear your steel helmet; carry your gas mask."

The streets of the village are seen not only by air observers, but also by German outposts. Sliding along the walls is a protection both from observers and from shell bursts.

A nearby French artillery observer reported that the Germans were building a blockhouse just behind their front line.

The French did not hurry themselves. They found the range of the target, and one morning before dawn they sent over a shell that scattered the workers, who had no doubt felt safe behind their camouflage of branches.

Then the French guns proceeded methodically to direct shell after shell on the concrete blockhouse, and blow it to powder. As an example of accurate and confident shooting, it was remarkable.

NEVER-MISS GUN SECRET

Closest friends of Mr. G. T. Griffin, aged fifty-four, an unemployed mechanic, of Glebe-street, Castleford, Yorks, are unable to probe the secret behind his latest invention.

For twenty years Mr. Griffin who was wounded six times in the last war, has been working to provide the War Office with an invention which will make it impossible for an anti-aircraft gunner to miss his target.

Now he claims to have succeeded and he has forwarded to the War Office plans of an attachment to an anti-aircraft gun.

But Mr. Griffin refuses to reveal the full story of how his idea was born.

"It was a sniper's bullet which put the idea in my head," he states, "I was shot through the hand in the trenches when I tried to save a periscope from falling.

Mr. Griffin has several other inventions to his credit including a revolving dartboard and darts.

"My main idea, though, is to shorten the war," he says. "You see, I have a son in the Army and two more may be called up soon."

COTTON ICE CREAM?

Dallas, Texas.

Cotton, entirely too plentiful in the South, may serve a new purpose—as the base for ice cream.

Prosper Ingles, a young Belgian chef, served cotton ice cream at a banquet of southwest restaurant men. Now, he's awaiting their verdict. One of the largest manufacturers in the South has agreed to market the ice cream if returns are favourable.

The ice cream, made with special meal and extract from cotton as a base, looks something like pale chocolate and tastes something like a combination maple nut and malted milk.

Mr. Ingles, pastry chef at a Dallas hotel, originated the product in co-operation with the State and the National Cotton Council.

WHAT PRICE HAPPINESS?

Cineas, when trying to dissuade Pyrrhus from undertaking a war against the Romans, said, "Sir, when you have conquered them, what will you do next?"

"Then Sicily is near at hand and easy to master. Then we will pass over to Africa and take Carthage, which cannot long withstand us."

"When these are conquered, what will be your next attempt?"

"Then," said Pyrrhus, "we will fall in upon Greece and Macedon and recover what we have lost there."

"Well, when all are subdued, what fruit do you expect from all your victories?"

"Then," said he, "we will sit down and enjoy ourselves."

"Sir," replied Cineas, "may we not do that now? Have you not already a kingdom of your own? And he that cannot enjoy himself with one kingdom cannot with the whole world."

WHITE SLAVE ROUND—UP AMONG FILM BEAUTIES

New York, April 27.

Hollywood sheriffs' officers are searching the ranks of beautiful film extras for evidence of recruiting among unemployed actresses for a white slave ring operating from the Mexican border to Canada.

Captain George Contreras said he had questioned dozens of girls believed to have been approached by the ring. He said recruiting might be easy because of the scarcity of film jobs.

There are 900 jobs daily for 7000 anxious applicants.

HE BEAT THE ARMY

The international crisis at the World's Fair is postponed because John Baldwin, official horse trader for the Fair, got to St. Louis before the French army.

A few weeks ago Baldwin was commissioned to find 24 perfectly matched black horses to appear in a show called "American Jubilee," but everywhere Horse Trader Baldwin went he found that the French army had been there just ahead of him and had bought up all the available horses.

The situation grew tense and the Fair authorities considered whether to ask its foreign protocol department to appeal to the French Ambassador for relief."

However, yesterday Baldwin sent a message to the Fair from St. Louis that everything had been straightened out—he had arrived one step ahead of the Frenchmen and got his horses.

AUTHOR DEAD IN DITCH

Mr. Kenneth R. G. Browne, the humorist, was found dead in a ditch near his home at Horley, Surrey.

He had apparently fallen in the black-out and it was some considerable time before he was identified.

A post-mortem examination has been held and the police are satisfied Mr. Browne died as the result of an accident.

He was forty-five and for many years was a popular contributor to newspapers and periodicals. He wrote six novels and two successful musical comedies.

WAR SERVICE

In the Great War Mr. Browne enlisted in the H.A.C. in 1914, and later served in France with the Essex Regiment. He was awarded the M.C. Gassed in 1917, he was invalided out of the Army in the following year.

He leaves a widow and one son.

CITES BEST MAN IN DIVORCE SUIT

A woman's cousin who was best man at her wedding was cited by her husband as co-respondent in an uncontested suit in the Divorce Court.

Mr. William Alfred James Mitchell, of Havelock-road, Birchfield, Birmingham, an employee of Birmingham Corporation, was granted a decree nisi with costs because of the adultery of his wife, Frances Elizabeth May Mitchell, with Herbert Stanley Abbott.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell were married in 1924. There is one child.

Mr. Mitchell's case was that his wife spent a holiday with Abbott, and declined to give him up. Finally Mitchell and his wife separated.

The husband later learnt that his wife and Abbott were living together in Gristhorpe-road, Selly Oak.

IRON CROSS HEROES ON OUR SIDE

Germans who were awarded the Iron Cross in the last war are now in France wearing the uniform of the British Army. And their one complaint is that this time they are fighting with picks and spades instead of maching-guns and rifles, writes a war correspondent.

They are Auxiliary Military Pioneers—a labour unit—engaged in vital work in the B.E.F. lines of communication.

Altogether there are more than 500 Germans, and others are on the way. I found them singing "Tipperary."

"They never sing German songs," the C.O. of one company told me. "Most of them want to forget about their sufferings in Germany.

I can give no names as most of these men still have relatives in Nazi territory, but one fair-haired sergeant told me he was nearly beaten to death in a concentration camp after the Nazis had stolen his business and his money. He found refuge in England.

"My wife is still in Germany," he told me. "I got a letter from her just before war broke out, saying that if it happened she wanted me to join the British Army."

Another had been a prosperous solicitor. "I was lucky to leave the concentration camp alive," he said. "Let me get at them!"

T.T.S ARE TO GET DRUNK

Group temperance leaders in Oklahoma City delighted the populace when they announced that they would get drunk on beer "in the interest of science and public morality."

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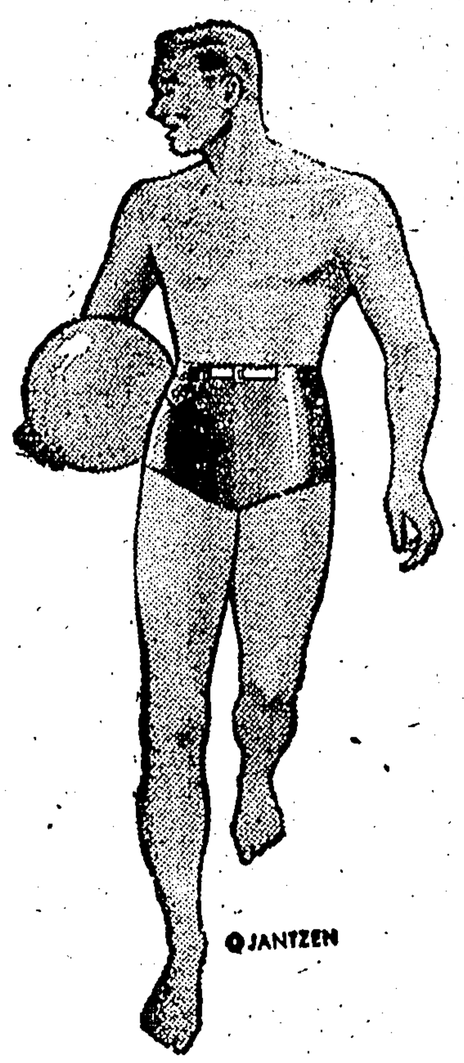

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GENERAL GAMELIN—A PERSONAL SKETCH

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This is General Gamelin's message to the troops for 1940, and his whole career shows that they are the weighed words of a man of action.

General Gamelin, small, taciturn, looking 10 years younger than his 67 years, holds a higher position than any general in French history.

The new post of Chief of General Staff of National Defence in 1938 put him at the head of France's land, sea and air Forces; and, by a pre-war arrangement, he became Generalissimo of the Allied armies at the outbreak of war.

General Gamelin has a brilliant record both of staff and active service.

A long association with Joffre led to his drafting—as a 42-year old major on Joffre's staff—the Orders which led to the victory of the Marne.

He left Joffre's staff to command a battalion of chasseurs, and he became a brigadier-general at the age of 44.

Audacious Feats

He led the French 9th Division which relieved the British Fifth Army under General Gough at Noyon. On that occasion, General Gamelin's division held six German divisions on an eleven-mile front for four days, March 22-26, 1918.

This was, perhaps, the most effective German attack of the whole war, and there was a danger of being out-flanked by the enemy. General

By
ERIC SIEPMANN

Gamelin ordered a counter-attack by night. He imperturbably entertained two British generals to dinner, and when the counter-attack was successful and the division was withdrawn to safe positions, he was the last to leave.

Among his other war feats was an audacious crossing of the Vesle, which was achieved in 90 minutes between 5.30 and 7 p.m. on 30 September, 1918, with hardly any losses.

In 1925, General Gamelin had the hard and unpleasant task of putting down the Druse rebellion in Syria, and in spite of small and ill-equipped Forces he succeeded in established peace within a few months.

General Gamelin joined the Supreme War Council in 1930 and replaced General Weygand as Chief of the French Staff in 1935. Among his major achievements are a new system of mobilisation by "groups" instead of age "classes" which has proved a triumph of efficiency.

He is also responsible for the impenetrable secrecy in which — at the outbreak of this war, unlike 1914— the Allied plans were kept.

General Gamelin's chief characteristic is an imperturbable coolness. His determination not to waste human material on hazardous military adventures is well-known.

He was born in a house opposite the War Office in Paris on 20 September, 1872, and he had military ancestors on both sides of his family. He was a brilliant student at St. Cyr., and after active service in North Africa he went to the Staff College and passed out "top". His long and fruitful association with Joffre began in 1904.

He is only 5ft. 4in. tall, but he has been a life-long athlete and is an expert ski-er. He has none of Foch's excitability; on the contrary, he never raises his voice.

Student Of Philosophy

He is unemotional, business-like. His features, underneath his sandy greying hair, brushed back, are now well-known to the world through photographs; but what the photographs do not reveal is his friendly intimate smile.

He is a non-smoker; but a connoisseur of wines.

His headquarters in the Boulevard de Invalides are unpretentious. His room is full of maps, and he is supposed to know all the roads on both sides of the French-German frontier by heart.

General Gamelin is a cultured man as well as a brilliant soldier. "An officer should read much . . . . " he says; and he reads much himself—especially philosophy. This led Joffre to exclaim after the Marne: "If this be philosophy, then all my generals should be philosophers."

General Gamelin has visited London on several occasions. He received the G.C.V.O. from The King in 1938,, after the magnificent review of French troops which took place before The King and Queen at Versailles.

TSAOYANG CAPTURED

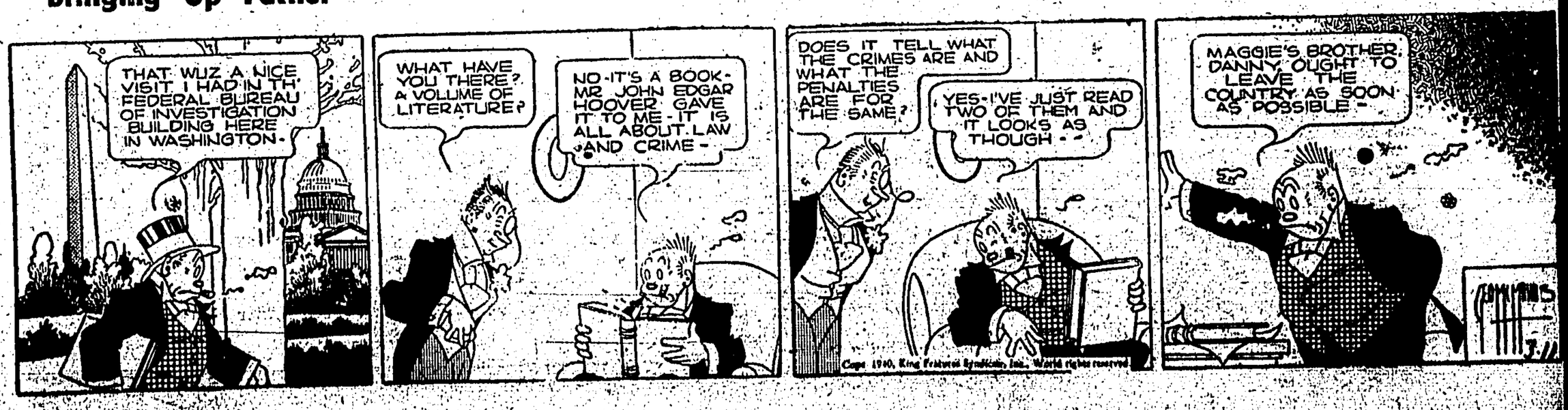
Chungking, To-day.

After a violent battle Chinese forces have recaptured the town of Tsaoyang, where 20,000 Japanese troops have been cut off after the retreat of the main Japanese army north-west of Hankow, according to a Chinese High Command communique, which states the Japanese were dislodged with over 7,000 casualties.

The remnants of the Japanese force are reported to be retreating towards the south and south-east with Chinese troops on their heels.—Reuter.

Bringing Up Father

By George McManus



ALLIED COMMAND OF THE SEAS

Canberra, To-day.

THE ARRIVAL OF THE second Australian contingent in Egypt again emphasizes the Allied command of the sea, said Mr. Menzies, Prime Minister, yesterday.

There was no doubt in Australia that the men would fight courageously and strongly, wherever they may be called on to serve.

"The arrival of the second contingent of our soldiers," he went on, "tells England and France in the clearest manner that 'we were by your side when war began and we are with you to the end.'" — Reuter.

OPERATIONS IN NORWAY

London, To-day.

Allied and Norwegian troops are now working together near Mosjoen. The latest Norwegian communique announces that two Nazi 'planes were shot down in this sector and that the Allies have withdrawn somewhat.

Further north, the Allies have taken up positions only two miles from Narvik, on the other side of the fjord. The German garrison in Narvik is being shelled by British warships and land batteries are shelling the line of withdrawal to Sweden.

The Allied use of tanks has achieved excellent results and Nazi attempts to drop supplies by parachute have failed.—Reuter.

Lord Halifax's Promise

London, To-day.

Britain will continue to press vigorously forward in Norway, with the object of taking Narvik and establishing a secure base for the Norwegian Government, said Lord Halifax, Foreign Secretary, at the inauguration ceremony in Mansion House yesterday of King Haakon's fund for Norwegian relief.

When that has been achieved, she will take counsel with the Norwegian Government and see what way the situation can be developed to their best mutual advantage.—Reuter.

Norwegians Called Up

London, To-day.

All Norwegians abroad between the ages of 21 and 45 are to register for military service, a Royal Norwegian proclamation announces.

Those in Norway between 21 and 35 are instructed to proceed to the northern districts for immediate service.—Reuter.

Narvik To Be Taken

London, To-day.

"We shall continue to press vigorously forward with the object of capturing Narvik and so establishing a secure base for the Norwegian Government," declared the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, speaking at the inauguration of King Haakon's Fund for the relief of Norway at Mansion House yesterday.

"When that object is achieved we shall take counsel with the Norwegian Government and see in what way the situation can be developed to our mutual advantage."—Reuter.

STOCK EXCHANGE STEADIER

London, To-day.

The Stock Exchange was steadier yesterday though trading was quiet. Some leading issues improved. Egyptians and Far Easterns were stronger There was no selling despite the imminence of the week-end.

Wall Street was easier after firmness.—Reuter.

AIRCRAFT FACTORIES MERGE

London, To-day.

It is officially announced that the Nuffield Aircraft Factory and the Vickers Supermarine organisation have been brought together under one management.—Reuter.

MORE AUSTRALIANS IN NEAR EAST

Cairo, To-day.

"A famous luxury liner" was among the transports which yesterday brought the Second Contingent of the Second Australian Imperial Force to Egypt. The men are proceeding to areas in Palestine.

A master of one of the ships taking part said:—"I have never seen a more efficient or speedier movement."

How well the secret was kept is shown by the fact that the first word the world heard about the men's departure from Australia was when they arrived in Egypt yesterday morning!

Lord Caldecott, Dominions Secretary sent them a message of welcome, saying:—

"At this critical hour, your arrival gives us all encouragement and is a very welcome demonstration that Australia will be there."

Mr. S. M. Bruce, Australian High Commissioner in London, also sent a message, saying:—

"You have come to take your stand with Britain and her Allies, and have the great traditions of the first great Australian Imperial Force to inspire you. I am confident you will play an honourable part in achieving the final victory."—Reuter.

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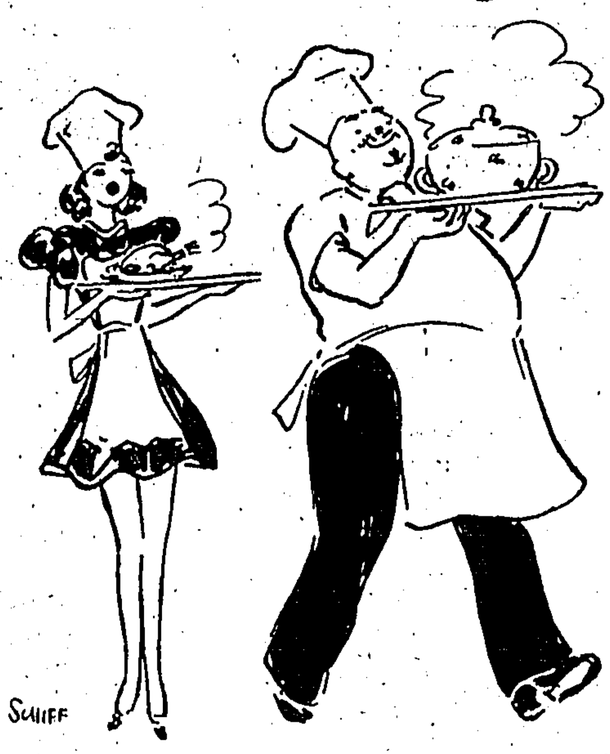

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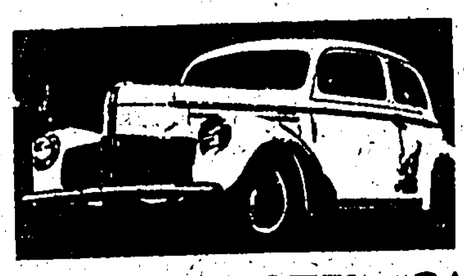

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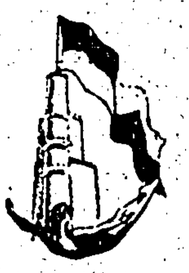

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U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 23rd April)	May 19.
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Japan	May 19.
Shanghai and Amoy	May 19.
Japan	May 19.
Bangkok, Saigon and Tourane	May 19.
Formosa and Swatow	May 20.
Amoy.	May 20.
Manila	May 20.
Haiphong and Hoihow	May 20.
Manila	May 20.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 14th May	May 21.
Japan.	May 21.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 15th May	May 22.
Shanghai and Amoy	May 22.
Canton	May 22.
Straits	May 22.
Straits	May 22.
Japan and Manila	May 23.
Sandakan	May 23.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 15th May	May 23.
Canton	May 24.
Japan	May 24.

OUTWARD MAILS

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For	Per	Date and Time.
	SATURDAY	
Fort Bayard		May 18, 11.00 a.m.
Saigon		May 18, Noon.
Dairen		May 18, 3.00 p.m.
U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada).	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Parcels, May 18, 3.00 p.m. Reg., May 18, 5.00 p.m. Ord., May 18, 5.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu,	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Parcels, May 18, 3.00 p.m. Reg., May 18, 5.00 p.m. Ord., May 18, 5.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles and London Parcels.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Parcels, May 18, 3.00 p.m. Reg., May 18, 5.00 p.m. Letters, May 18, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service".	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Reg., May 18, 5.00 p.m. Ord., May 18, 5.30 p.m.
Bangkok		May 18, 5.30 p.m.
	SUNDAY	
Shanghai		May 19th 9 p.m.
	MONDAY	
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa		May 20, 8.30 a.m.
Canton.		May 20, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai		May 20, Noon
Parcels only for Haiphong		May 20, Noon.
Haiphong		May 20, 2.00 p.m.
Saigon		May 20, 6.30 p.m
Canton.		May 20, 7.00 p.m.
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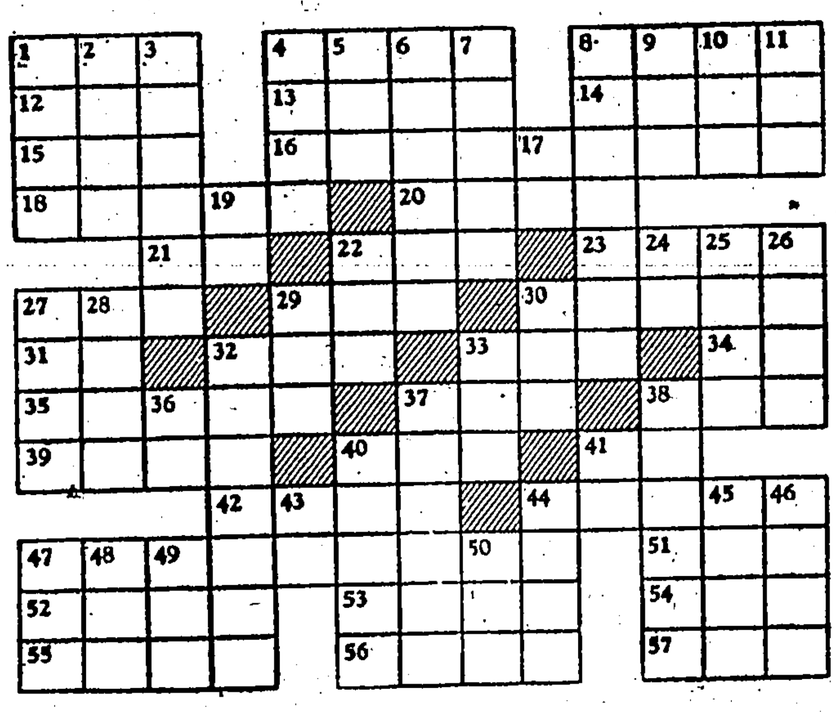

HORIZONTAL

1 Chance
4 List of names
8 Small opening
12 To lubricate
13 Wing-shaped
14 Image
15 Room in harem
16 To fascinate
18 To attach
20 French priest
21 Pronoun
22 Babylonian deity
23 To catch
27 Chalice
29 Supporting bar
30 Banquet
31 Artificial language
32 Illumined
33 Poetic: among
34 Egyptian astral body
35 Tint
37 To exhaust
38 Ember
39 Square-rigged vessel
40 Corded fabric
41 Symbol for yttrium!
42 Always
44 Former tsar
47 To ascribe
51 Swiss canton
52 Rid
53 Afghanistan tribe
54 Nothing
55 Knotted
56 Dispatched
57 Lamprey

VERTICAL

1 Shout
2 Opera by Verdi
3 Viscous material of a cell
4 Speed contest
5 Palm leaf
6 Hit lightly
7 Union of workers
8 Fastened
9 Cretan mountain
10 Clever saying
11 Malt beverage
17 Symbol for iridium
19 Symbol for tellurium
22 Small part
24 Sun-god
25 Petitions
26 Ancient Egyptian divinity
27 Curves
28 Celestial body
29 Evergreen
30 Pear-shaped fruit
32 Reduced
33 Plan
36 Behold!
37 Flat rod
38 To adjust
40 Puzzle
41 Archaic pronoun
43 Six
44 Nuisance
45 Large lake
46 Small stream
47 Toward the stern
48 Prefix: three
49 Mound
50 Large cask

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HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders by Lieut. Colonel H. B. Rose, M.C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Friday, May 17,

Officers and N.C.O's. Course

Tues., 21st May. Those detailed. Council Chamber, C.S.O.: (a) 5.45 p.m. Protection from Air, Passive—By Major A. V. Petri, H.Q., C.C.; (b) 6.30 p.m. Field Engineering—By Major R. D. Walker, M.C.

Thurs., 23rd May. Those detailed. H.Q. Lecture Room: (a) 5.45 p.m. Map Reading—By Capt. F. Sale, A.E.C.; (b) 6.30 p.m. Rifle Platoon in Defence—By an Officer from 2/R.S.

Parades

(a) Corps Artillery.

Manning.—The four Coast Defence Batteries will man their Stations on Sunday, 19th May. Parade at H.Q., at 2.45 p.m. Dress—Shirts, shorts, putties, boots, S.D. caps, water-bottles (filled), haversacks, overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried. Respirators and steel helmets will be drawn on parade under supervision of B.Q.M.S. Beach. Haversack rations will be issued.

All members of Corps Artillery must attend unless permission in writing is obtained from the O.C. Battery.

Respirators must be returned on completion of manning.

1st Battery.—Sun., 19th May. H.Q. for D'Aguilar. 2.45 p.m. All personnel less D.E.L. Section. See Corps Artillery orders above. D.E.L. Section will parade at 2.15 p.m.

Tues., 21st May. (i) Layers' Class and D.R.F. Class at Belchers. 5.30 p.m. Dress—Overalls. (ii) L.G. Detachment. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. Dress—Mufti. (iii) Those detailed. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lecture. Military Hygiene. Dress—Mufti.

Wed., 22nd May. (i) Belchers. 5.45 p.m. Lecture by Lt. W. Squires. Dress—Overalls. (ii) Wellington Barracks. 5.30 p.m. D.E.Ls. engine training. Dress—Overalls.

Fri., 24th May. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. Layers' and D.R.F. Classes. Dress—Overalls.

2nd Battery.—Sun., 19th May. H.Q. for Bluff Head. 2.45 p.m. See Corps Artillery Orders above.

Tues., 21st May. (i) H.Q. for Bluff Head. 5 p.m. Right Section Layers and Range-takers. (ii) H.Q. for Bluff Head. 7 p.m. D.E.L. Personnel, B.O.P. Staff and selected layers and Range-takers. Rations will be drawn.

Thurs., 23rd May. Scandal Point. 5.30 p.m. New Classes for Layers, Range-takers and B.C.As. Dress for all parades, except Sunday, 19th—Mufti. Overalls and S.D. caps to be carried.

3rd Battery.—Sun., 19th May. H.Q. for Aberdeen. 2.45 p.m. See Corps Artillery Orders above.

Thurs., 23rd May. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Dress—Mufti, Overalls, S.D. caps and platform shoes to be carried.

4th Battery.—Sun., 19th May. H.Q. for Pakshawan. 2.45 p.m. See Corps Artillery Orders above. Plate, cup, knife, fork, spoon to be carried in addition.

Tues., 21st May. (i) D.E.L. School. 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Personnel. Dress—Mufti. Overalls to be carried. (ii) H.Q. 5.30 p.m. B Section. Rifle and marching drill. Dress—Mufti.

Fri., 24th May. Queen's Pier for Pakshawan. 5.30 p.m. returning at 8.00 p.m. B.C. Staff, No. 2 Gun, Signallers, D.E.L. A Relief. Dress—Mufti. S.D. caps, overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried.

5th A.A. Battery.—Sun., 19th May. Queen's Pier for Lyemun. 9.30 a.m. No. 2 Section. Overalls to be carried.

Tues., 21st May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. Lecture. Dress—Mufti.

Thurs., 23rd May. Queen's Pier for Lyemun. 5.15 p.m. No. 2 Section. Overalls to be carried.

Thurs., 23rd May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 2 Section. As per programme. Overalls with webbing equipment less haversack and water bottle, to be brought on parade.

(b) Field Company Engineers.

Mon., 20th May. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Drill.

Thurs., 23rd May. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Technical training by sections.

(c) Corps Signals.

Mon., 20th May. H.Q. 5.20 p.m. (i) Classification preparation. (ii) Signal training.

Wed., 22nd May. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Special training Class.

Fri., 24th May. H.Q. 5.20 p.m. Classification preparation. All concerned are reminded that classification tests will be conducted on Sun., 26th May at 8.45 a.m.

(d) Mobile Column.

Armoured Car Platoon.—Mon., 20th May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. A Class—Drill instruction. B Class—Stoppages 1 and 2. C Class—Description—Stripping etc.

Fri., 24th May. Field Coy. H.Q., K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. All Classes. Lecture by C.Q.M.S. Spary on "Mine Traps for A.F.V's."

Motor Machine Gun Platoon.—Mon., 20th May. Hung Hom Depot. 5.30 p.m. Driving instruction.

Fri., 24th May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. M.G. instruction—stoppages.

(e) No. 1 Company.

Tues., 21st May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Respirator Drill and Gas Chamber. All Ranks must attend.

Fri., 24th May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lecture by Lt. G. P. Ferguson. Mechanization of Cavalry.

(f) No. 2 Company

Tues., 21st May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O's. I & R.

Thurs., 23rd May. (i) No. 6 Platoon. Kowloon Dock. 5.30 p.m. (ii) No. 7 Platoon. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Training programme parade No. 6.

(g) No. 3 Company.

Mon., 20th May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. (i) Nos. 9 and 10 Platoons—As detailed. (ii) No. 11 Platoon—L.G. and Revision. (iii) No. 12 Platoon—Examination Tests and Adjustments.

Thurs., 23rd May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. As in Company Training Programme.

(h) No. 4 Company.

Tues., 21st May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Recruits. Musketry.

Fri., 24th May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Recruits. Medical Examination.

(i) No. 5 Company.

Tues., 21st May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Instruction on Mechanism (Revision).

(j) No. 6 Company.

Tues., 21st May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Elementary Handling L.G. (Continued).

(k) No. 7 Company

Thursday, 23rd May. H. Q. 5.45 p.m. L. A. Training. Possible stoppages. N.C.O's. Class. Recapitulation. T.E.O.T. 1, 2, 3, 4.

(l) Army Service Corps Company

Thursday, 23rd May. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Whole Company. Dress—Overalls and S. D. cap. L.M.G. Those detailed. Sub-Magazine Filling. (2) Holding, loading jects—(1) General Talk on Gun and and unloading. S.A.T., Rifle—those detailed—(1) and (2) Mechanism, Trigger Pressing, Cleaning Materials and Daily Cleaning (3) and (4) Loading, Unloading, Cleaning before and after Firing.

(m) Field Ambulance

Friday, 24th May. St. Paul's College. 5.30 p.m. Lecture.

(n) Pay Section

Friday, 24th May. Command H. Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O's. detailed by O. C. Unit.

Command

2/Lt. D. J. S. Crozier assumed Command of the 4th Battery during the period of leave of absence of Captain C. W. L. Cole.

Appointments & Promotion

2779, L/Cpl. M. G. Carruthers, Armd. Car Pl. Corpl. 17.5.40.

2872. Pte. D. W. Beeken, Armd. Car Pl. L/Cpl. 17.5.40.

3076, Pte. C. D. N. Walker, Armd. Car Pl. L/Cpl. 17.5.40.

3057, Pte. A. F. Tocher, Armd. Car Pl. L/Cpl. 17.6.40.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

1. Lecture

The next Home Nursing lecture will be held on Friday, 24th May at St. John's Cathedral Hall at 5.30 p.m.

2. Bandaging Class

Practical Bandaging Classes will be held weekly on Mondays until further notice:—

(1) At Volunteer H. Q. 10.30 a.m.

(2) At the Military Hospital. 5.45 p.m. Transport will leave H. Q. at 5.30 p.m. punctually.

All members are requested to make a special effort to attend either the morning or evening class.

3. Attachment

The under-mentioned members were attached to the Military Hospital for training during the period shown:—

Mrs. M. A. Neve, 22.4.40—6.5.40.

Mrs. M. J. Cassidy, 6.5.40—20.5.40

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

Subject.—Mortals and Immortals.

The Subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow, May 19th. will be:—"Mortals and Immortals."

The Golden Text will be:—"This corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality." (1. Cor. 15:53).

LEADERSHIP OF TORY PARTY

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, in a letter to Mr. Neville Chamberlain, states that as Prime Minister of a National Government comprising the three parties it would be better for him not to undertake the leadership of any one political party, and Mr. Churchill expresses the hope that Mr. Chamberlain's leadership of the Conservative Party will remain undisturbed.—Reuter.

AIR FRANCE RESUMES LONDON SERVICE

London, To-day.

Air France resumed the air service between London and Paris yesterday afternoon, and bookings for all services are being resumed to-day.

An Imperial Airways liner left England for Karachi yesterday morning according to schedule, and arrangements have been made for the flying-boat to refuel at Rome and Brindisi.—Reuter.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE

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BIG ADVANCE OF MISS ANN TYLOR

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB appeared to have a stronger team on paper than Kowloon Cricket Club, but their win by 5½ sets to 3½ yesterday at K.C.C. flattered them. On the day's play K.C.C. should have won 5-4.

Be that as it may, Club have a useful team which should do considerably better on fast courts.

Miss Tylor has made rapid strides and yesterday practically carried Goldman through three sets.

Fay was impressive though still erratic and Mrs. Andrews was good in spasms, especially in service. Pearce and Miss Armstrong are the weak link, though they managed to settle down to the conditions—a thin drizzle and a slippery court—and won 1½ sets.

Teddy Fincher gave a good all-round display, but Mrs. Williams is obviously short of practice. Ernie Fincher and Mrs. Kevan did fairly well, but Burnett and Miss Harker, deputising for Guest and Miss Stokes, were outclassed.

K.C.C. "A" v H.K.C.C.

E. C. Fincher and Mrs. Williams (K.C.C. "A").
lost to L. Goldman and Miss A. Tylor 3—6
beat B. C. Fay and Mrs. L. R. Andrewes ..... 7—5
beat T. A. Pearce and Miss J. Armstrong ..... 6—1

E. F. Fincher and Mrs. Kevan (K.C.C. "A").
lost to Goldman and Miss Tylor ... 2—6
beat Fay and Mrs. Andrewes ..... 6—4
drew with Pearce and Miss Armstrong 6—6

G. C. Burnett and Miss B. Harker (K.C.C. "A").
lost to Goldman and Miss Tylor ... 2—6
lost to Fay and Mrs. Andrewes ..... 2—6
lost to Pearce and Miss J. Armstrong 4—6

PROMISING DEBUT OF MRS. ZIMMERN

In the absence of Mrs. Enid Litton, who was indisposed, Chinese Recreation Club dropped two sets against K.C.C. "B" in the other match, at Causeway Bay.

Most impressive home pair, on extremely slippery courts and under poor conditions generally, were Paul Kong and Miss Yeung Wai-bun.

The latter has improved somewhat and in addition to her crisp groundstrokes, she has now a very useful volley.

Experienced Kong was always in the right place at the right moment.

Lee Wai-tong and Mrs. Chiu played a slow game in which the chop predominated and under the prevailing conditions, this paid. It is problematical as to the measure of success these methods would bring on a hard, fast court.

Mrs. Choy, who partnered Hung, is a virtual novice but, although nervous, played a plucky game.

For the visitors Mrs. Zimmern made a promising debut and her hard hitting on the forehand and her willingness to go in and volley, proved of great assistance to Zulauf in beating Hung and Mrs. Choy.

Zulauf hit very hard off the ground and made the best of his opportunities.

Gray and Mrs. Sweeney played well enough, but although Mrs. Sturgeon did her best and played some good ground strokes, she was very badly supported by Mackay.

C.R.C. v K.C.C. "B"

At Causeway Bay, Chinese Recreation Club beat K.C.C. "B" by 7 sets to 2.

Lee Wai-tong and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu (C.R.C.).
beat E. Zulauf and Mrs. A. Zimmern 6—2
beat S. A. Gray and Mrs. Sweeney 6—2
beat N. A. E. Mackay and Mrs. Sturgeon ..... 6—3

Paul Kong and Miss Yeung Wai-bun (C.R.C.).
beat Gray and Mrs. Sweeney ..... 6—4
beat Zulauf and Mrs. Zimmern ..... 6—2
beat Mackay and Mrs. Sturgeon ... 6—1

W. C. Hung and Mrs. Choy (C.R.C.).
lost to Gray and Mrs. Sweeney ..... 1—6
lost to Zulauf and Mrs. Zimmern ... 2—6
beat Mackay and Mrs. Sturgeon .... 6—3

POSTPONED

The match between University and U.S.R.C. was postponed.

U.S. WAR INDUSTRY

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TOLD THE PRESS YESTERDAY THE GOVERNMENT WOULD ASSIST PRIVATE INDUSTRY IN EXTENDING AIRCRAFT INDUSTRIES; THE GOVMENT MIGHT EVEN CONSTRUCT NEW FACTORIES BUT WOULD NOT OPERATE THEM.

In order to avoid a bottleneck due to the limited capacity of the machine-tool industry the President said the Government might take over machine-tools which foreign individuals had ordered.

Shortly before President Roosevelt spoke, the War Department asked Congress to remove the existing legislative limit of 6,000 planes in the Army Air Corps as the first move towards building up the force to 50,000 planes.—Reuter.

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By BUD FISHER

To-day's Wireless

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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—"The Gay Nineties". A Melody of old time musical hall songs sung by Frank Luther with Zora Layman and the Century Quartet.

12.50 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
Springtime Waltz (Composer Unknown).
Farmyard Waltz (Folk Tune).
....Continental Novelty Orchestra.
Woodland Joy (Schlesinger).
....Columbia Salon Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Dance Music by Ambrose and His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—Looking Around Corners For You (film 'Head over Heels').
Rumba—Ain't Cha Comin' Out?
Fox-Trot—My Prayer.
Quickstep—Sing a Song of Sunbeams (from 'East side of Heaven').
Slow Fox-Trot—That Sly Old Gentleman (from 'East side of Heaven').
Fox-Trot—Adolf.
Quickstep—Kiss Me Goodnight, Sergeant Major.
Fox-Trots—I'm An Old Cowhand (from 'Rhythm on the Range'); Empty Saddles (from 'Rhythm on the Range').

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Compositions of Lehar.
"Merry Widow"—Selection....Marek Weber & His Orchestra.
Love's Melody (from the film); Look and Love (film 'Love's Melody').... Marta Eggerth (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Stay With Me For Ever ('Giuditta'); My Lips Are Made For Kissing ('Giuditta') ....Marek Weber & His Orchestra.
The Land of Smiles—Selection .... London Theatre Orchestra cond. by Ernest Irving.

2.15 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.

6.00 p.m.—Verdi's "La Traviata" Act II with Lionello Cecil, Mercedes Capsir, Ida Conti, Carlo Galeffi, Baccaloni, Villa, Nessi, Baracchi and Full Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with Orchestra.

7.00 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 p.m.—Marek Weber and His Orchestra.
Mighty Lak' A Rose (Nevin).
Salut D'Amour (Elgar).
I Kiss Your Lips (Rudolphe).

7.10 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Barbara Gilmar (Soprano).
1. Gypsy Violin (from 'Venus in Silk'—Stolz).
2. The Heights of Tatra (Dvorak, Op. 55, No. 7).
3. I Love Thee (Grieg).
4. Love Went A-Riding (Bridge).

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

8.03 p.m.—Latest Dance Music and Variety.
Fox-Trots—Out Of Nowhere; That's All, Brother.....Ella Fitzgerald with The Chick Webb Orchestra.
Vocal—Ida, Sweet As Apple Cider (Leonard); Start The Day Right (from 'Haw Haw')....Bing Crosby with Connie Boswell and Orchestra.
Piano—Kunz Revivals No. 13. Intro: When I grow too old to dream; The Bridal Waltz; One Night of Love; My dance: In the merry month of May; The girl with the dreamy eyes....Charlie Kunz.
Fox-Trots—Georgia On My Mind; Boneyard Shuffle....The Casa Loma Orch.
A Musical Caricature—Phonograph Record, Player Piano and Carmen Lombardo (Templeton); Piano—Mendelssohn Mows 'Em Down (Templeton)....Alec Templeton.
Instru.—H.C.Q. Strut (Grappelly); The Man I Love (Gershwin)....The Quintet of The Hot Club of France with Django Reinhardt (Guitar) and Stephane Grappelly (Violin).
Quickstep—Are You Havin' Any Fun? (from 'The little Dog Laughed'); Slow Fox-Trot—Where Or When (from 'Babes in Arms')....Ambrose & His Orchestra.

8.45 p.m.—London Relay — "At the Black Dog". Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 p.m. — Compositions of Rachmaninoff.
Concerto No. 2 in C Minor, Op. 18....Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra cond. by Leopold Stokowski.
Prelude In G Minor, Op. 23, No. 5; Prelude In C Sharp Minor, Op. 3, No. 2..... Boston Promenade Orchestra cond by Arthur Fiedler.
Polichinelle; Prelude In B Flat....Leff Poulshnoff (Piano).

10.17 p.m.—Violin Solos by Albert Sandler.
Grinzing (Benatzky); Remembrance (Melfi)....assisted by Jack Byfield (Piano) and Reginald Kilbey (Cello).
Extase—Reverie (Ganne); O Sole Mio (Di Capua)....assisted by Samehtini (Cello) and Byfield (Piano).

10.30 p.m.—Light Orchestral Concert with Charles Kullman (Tenor).
Les Saltimbanques—Overture (Ganne).... Orchestre Symphonique Du Lutetia Wagram.
Lover, Come Back To Me (from 'New Moon'); Rose Marie (from same)..... Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orch.
William Tell—Andante (Pastorale) (Rossini—arr. Walter); Traumerei (Schumann—arr. Walter)....Massed Orchestra of Cellos.
Thora (Weatherly & Adams); Beautiful Garden of Roses (Dempsey & Schmid) ....Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orch.
Polka Frieda....Jakov Serebroff's Russian Orchestra.

11.00 p.m.—London Relay — "London Log".

11.15 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—Gypsy Tears; 3/4 Quickstep—Cuban Lady....Mantovani & His Orch.
Fox-Trot—Run, Rabbit, Run! (from 'The Little Dog Laughed'); Quickstep—The Girl Who Loves A Soldier (from 'The Little Dog Laughed')....Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Waltzes—Where Are The Songs We Sung (from 'Operette'); Dearest Love (from 'Operette')....Carroll Gibbons & the Savoy Hotel Orpheans.
Fox-Trot—White Sails; Slow Fox-Trot—Moon Love....Jack Hylton & His Orch.
Tangos—Noche De Reves; Che Papusa Oi! ....Geraldo & His Gaucho Tango Orch.
Fox-Trots—Me and Brother Bill; Savoy Blues....Louis Armstrong & His Orch.
What Shall I Say?—Slow Fox-Trot; Waltz—I Paid for the Lie That I Told You.... Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orch.
Slow Fox-Trot — Good-Night, Children, Everywhere....Billy Cotton & His Band.

12.00 midnight.—CLOSE DOWN.

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GOOD PLAY BUT POOR DEFENCE

We do not know the exact reason for North's opening notrump, but South's bid of three hearts was based on the fact that he wanted to defend against the opponents, who had a partial score. When dummy went down, the hand appeared hopeless. Nevertheless, South managed to make his contract with the aid of a little help by the defence.

North, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable
East-West 40 on score

	♠ Q 5 4 ♡ A K 9 ◇ J 9 7 3 ♣ K J 2	
♠ 10 8 6 ♡ J 10 4 3 ◇ A 6 2 ♣ A 7 5	N W E S	♠ A K J 7 2 ♡ 6 ◇ Q 5 4 ♣ Q 10 8 3
	♠ 9 3 ♡ Q 8 7 5 2 ◇ K 10 8 ♣ 9 6 4	

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1NT	2♠	3♡	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

West opened the spade ten. East won the first two tricks and Declarer trumped the third. South now led a heart and, being convinced that West would not have doubled the undergame contract without four trumps, finessed dummy's nine. Next the Jack of diamonds was led from dummy, which East obligingly covered with the Queen, South playing the King and West the Ace. (If East had played low, a club return by West would have defeated the contract.) West now underled his club Ace, but Declarer was not to be fooled. He jumped right in with dummy's King. Dummy's Ace-King of trumps were then played, then South entered his hand with the diamond ten and drew West's last trump. Dummy's two remaining diamonds then gave Declarer a contract that was well played but poorly defended.

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ACE ... 3
KING ... 2
QUEEN 1
JACK ... 0
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Yesterday, with both sides vulnerable, you were the dealer and held:

♠ A K Q x x x
♡ x
◇ x x
♣ A x x x

What do you bid?

ANSWER: Your correct opening bid is one spade. Many players like to open this hand with three, but such a bid is inadvisable because if the opponents really have a big heart or diamond suit, your three-bid won't shut them out anyway. At the same time if your partner has a good hand, your opening three-bid may keep you from a possible Slam.

Score 100% for one spade, 40% for three spades.

QUESTION NO. 413

David Bruce Burnstone is your partner, both sides are vulnerable and again you hold:

♠ A K Q x x x
♡ x
◇ x x
♣ A x x x

The bidding:

You	Maier	Burnstone	Jacoby
1♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
(?)			

What do you bid now? (Answer tomorrow.)

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ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

MISSING from the haunts of swimmers this year will be popular swimster Lieut. "Mike" Calvert of the Sappers, who has left the Colony. He will be missed by the "civvy" swimming fans as well as the "squaddies." Succeeding him as Army Swimming Secretary is 2nd Lieut. J. Millar of Royal Scots.

Popular Swimmer

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WE may look forward to seeing some really worthwhile water-polo from Royal Scots this season. Their team certainly looks well on paper. Besides having old timers like Bandmaster Jordan, Cpls. Sutherland, Slater and Massie, the team has been strengthened by the addition of two newcomers in Lieut. Buchanan and 2nd Lieut. Millar, the latter with a great reputation from Home. The Scotsmen have a useful 'keeper in Bankier, who may turn out to be the Army's choice as custodian in representative games this season.

Newcomers

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THE decision of Middlesex Regt. not to compete in the Large Units' Water-Polo League came as a surprise to many. It is hard to offer any reason for this extraordinary decision, because the "Diehards" certainly do not lack good players. No doubt several of the "Diehards" will be helping civilian clubs, certainly custodian Berry should find no difficulty in getting a game. He was the Army's choice for goal last season.

Surprise Decision

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LAST year's Small Units champions, Royal Corps of Signals, will be competing in the Senior League this year. With the exception of Ashford, who was captain last year, the "Tic Tac" men will be playing the same team that carried all before them last season. Their presence in the Large Units' League should make this competition a whole lot more interesting. Sig. Hunt, who has an accurate and powerful throw, has excited some interest whilst practising, but if he is to get a place in the Signals' team he will have to improve considerably.

Champions

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IN rather poor weather and on slippery courts the Army Tennis season began at Sookunpoo on Whit Monday with two matches. Service Corps met 8th Heavy Regt. and Middlesex clashed with 5th A.A. Regt. The standard of play was poor in both matches there being a general lack of combination between the pairs, except perhaps in the case of Martin and Logan of Service Corps, who by winning all three sets enabled their side to defeat the "Heavies" by the odd set in nine. In the other match the "Ack Acks" would have completely overrun Middlesex had it not been for Lieut. Guest and Sgt. Waldron, who stopped the rot. Nevertheless, Artillery took six of the nine sets. Sgts. Meeking and Louis put up the best show of the afternoon.

Tennis Leagues

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THE following day two further matches were witnessed, this time in "B" League, Royal Scots completely outplaying R.A.S.C. by 7 sets to 2. In this game Graham and Green made a good show for Royals, but, unfortunately, they tired quickly and were well beaten by "Tich" Walton and "Paddy" King, who, incidentally, were responsible for winning both sets won by Service Corps.

In the other match only Brackenbury and Langley produced anything like tennis and they were greatly responsible for Signals gaining a 6-3 victory over Pay Corps. With the exception of perhaps Ingelby and Reed the "Pay Blokes" showed little combination.

"B" League

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IN both "B" and "C" Civilian Leagues Army Tennis Club have made a poor start. In "B" League on Tuesday they only managed to win two of the nine sets from Chinese Recreation Club. Col. Smith (Dental Corps) and Capt. Rochford-Hyde were the only pair that were able to make any headway at all. Sgts. Webb and Megson, were completely outplayed and managed to win only six games in three sets. Playing Recreio "A" in "C" League A.T.C. found themselves up against another tough nut and did well not to lose by a greater margin than 2½ to 6½. Emmerson and Duffield of Ordnance Corps aquitted themselves well.

Army Tennis Club

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ACTIVITY is already noted amongst rowing enthusiasts. This year the main event should revolve itself into a great tussel between Engineers and Service Corps, as last years winners, Seaforth Highlanders, will not be competing. Sappers are loath to say anything about their teams as yet, it being too early in the season. Service Corps have three teams on the water and will probably be entering all three, one in the Brown Cup and the other two in the Novices Race.

Rowing

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AMONGST the Small Units' players seen at practice were the Service Corps team, who quite possibly will be introducing new blood of an unknown quality. The Corps will be without Cpl. "Nelson" Eddy who has left the Colony. Eddy will be remembered by many Army sportsmen as a former writer of this column and a keen all-rounder.

Small Units

Army Tennis

Following are the results of Army League tennis matches played yesterday:—

R.A.O.C. v. R.A.

Playing at Sookunpoo yesterday, Royal Army Ordnance Corps beat the 5th A.A. Regiment, Royal Artillery, by 8 sets to 1 in an "A" Division Army League tennis match.

Sgt. Emberson and Sgt. Duffield (R.A.O.C.)
beat Capt. Mills and Sgt. Coughlan... 6—0
beat Capt. Ingram and Sgt. Morgan... 6—1
beat Sgt. Lane and Sgt. Meckings.... 6—1

Capt. Bridges and Cpl. Boocock (R.A.O.C.)
beat Mills and Coughlan ..... 6—0
beat Ingram and Morgan ..... 6—2
beat Lane and Meekings ..... 7—5

S/Cdr. Gardner and S/Cdr. Stonor (R.A.O.C.)
beat Mills and Coughlan ..... 6—2
beat Ingram and Morgan ..... 6—3
lost to Lane and Meekings ..... 4—6

R.A.M.C. v. MIDDLESEX

In another "A" Division Army League tennis match, Royal Army Medical Corps beat 1st Battalion Middlesex Regiment by 8 sets to 1 at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Lieut.-Col. Smith and Major Harrison (R.A.M.C.)
beat Lieut. Guest and Pte. Mellor .... 6—2
beat Capt. Hewitt and Q.M.S. Castle 6—0
beat C.S.M. Challis and Pte. Isles .... 6—2

Sgt. Webb and Cpl. Milne (R.A.M.C.)
beat Guest and Mellor ..... 6—2
beat Hewitt and Castle ..... 6—3
beat Challis and Isles ..... 6—1

Cpl. Musson and Cpl. Reynolds (R.A.M.C.)
lost to Guest and Mellor ..... 0—6
beat Hewitt and Castle ..... 6—3
beat Challis and Isles ..... 6—2

R.E. v. R.S.

Royal Engineers beat Royal Scots Regiment by 9 sets to nil in an "A" Division League tennis match yesterday.

Major Grose and Capt. Wilkinson (R.E.)
beat Lieut.-Col. McDougall and Capt. Douglas ..... 6—2
beat Cpl. Alsey and Bdn. Wilb ..... 6—3
beat Capt. Duncan and L/Cpl. Glasgow 6—2

S/Sgt. Megson and Sgt. Denyer (R.E.)
beat McDougall and Douglas ..... 7—5
beat Alsey and Wilb ..... 6—3
beat Duncan and Glasgow ..... 6—2

S/Sgt. Mitchell and Spr. Elsley (R.E.)
beat McDougall and Douglas ..... 10—8
beat Alsey and Wilb ..... 6—2
beat Duncan and Glasgow ..... 6—0

"SKIP'S" FORECAST FOR TO-DAY

FIRST DIVISION

Kowloon B.G.C.	(50)	v	Recreio "A"	(57)
Civil Service	(82)	v	Kowloon C.C.	(36)
Kowloon Docks R.C.	(65)	v	Indian R.C.	(69)
Police R.C.	(—)	v	*H.K. Football Club	(—)
Craigengower	(64)	v	Recreio "B"	(45)

SECOND DIVISION

Kowloong Tong	(59)	v	Craigengower	(59)
Police R.C.	(51)	v	Kowloon B.G.C.	(65)
*Hong Kong C.C.	(—)	v	Kowloon F.C.	(—)
*Recreio	(—)	v	*Kowloon C.C.	(—)
Taikoo R.C.	(75)	v	Civil Service	(54)

THIRD DIVISION

*Indian R.C.	(—)	v	H.K. Electric	(—)
Prison O.C.	(79)	v	Craigengower	(56)
Kowloon	(—)	v	*Hong Kong C.C.	(—)
H.K. Football Club	(59)	v	Kowloon B.G.C.	(61)

Figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding game last year.
* Newcomers to this division.

LAWN BOWLS

'SKIP' TAKES A CHANCE; TIPS K.B.G.C. TO BEAT THE CHAMPIONS

THIS AFTERNOON'S lawn bowls programme promises to be very interesting, with the game between Club de Recreio and Kowloon Bowling Green Club attracting most attention.

Both teams have won their first two matches, with the Champions having the more difficult opposition as they met Craigengower at home and K.C.C. at Cox's Road. To-day's hosts, on the other hand, have beaten K.C.C. at Austin Road and the Indians away.

On form I should perhaps tip the Champions to win but it would not surprise me to see the Austin Road team nosing them out and I take my courage in both hands and forecast according.

The Civil Servants have Fred Jones and Arthur Grimmitt available again and this fact, together with the reorganisation of the team which has been effected, makes me think they will overcome Kowloon Cricket Club down at the Valley.

Kowloon Dock appear to have a very useful team out and I shall be surprised if they are beaten by the Indians in spite of the fact that Dallah will be playing.

Football Club have made a number of changes in both their first and second teams. Graver comes back as a number two, his usual position in the first team last season, whilst Jack Watson has earned promotion to number three after a couple of matches; training will out!

In spite of these and other positional changes I think Police will prove a little too strong and should win by a dozen shots or so.

To complete my "five homes" in this division I tip Craigengower to beat Club de Recreio "B" at the Valley, where they should have little difficulty.

Second Division

In Second Division I think that the game between Hong Kong Cricket Club and Kowloon Football Club should be as good as any. The cricketers have made changes which I think will strengthen the team quite a lot but, as the Chaham Road team is at full strength this week, I think the visitors should win.

Craigengower travel over to Waterloo Road and should be able to come away with a couple of points. I notice the Valley team are initiating another new skip in McNeill, who has been playing very consistently.

Police will be entertaining Kowloon Bowling Green Club, who have not been consistent so far, having won away and lost at home. Police have played only one game, losing away to Club de Recreio, so it is not easy to form any opinion, but I think the visitors may just pull it off.

Club de Recreio are at home to Kowloon Cricket Club and should have an easy task unless Carr's strong rink is able to carry the day.

Taikoo look to have the easiest task in this division as they receive the Civil Servants at Quarry Bay.

Third Division

The Electricians will no doubt overcome the Indians even at Sookunpoo, whilst other likely winners in this division are Prison Officers Club, Kowloon Football Club and Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

H.K.C.C. Lawn Bowls Team

The following players will represent H.K.C.C. against Kowloon Football Club in their lawn bowls matches to-day.

Second Division (Home):—R. R. Davies, J. L. Mouat, G. E. Costello, B. E. Maughan (skip); J. A. D. Morrison, E. Hospes, E. S. Abraham, A. W. Brown (skip); T. A. Pearce, L. A. R. Duncan, J. Prentice, G. S. Archbutt (skip).

Third Division (Away):—B. J. Lacon, L. E. N. Ryan, P. S. Cassidy, R. H. Wild (skip); W. J. Hansen, F. D. Angus, A. S. Mitchell, R. A. Edwards (skip); W. A. Cornell, W. A. Cruickshank, A. K. Mackenzie, A. McKellar (skip).

For yesterday's tennis Results And Comments See Page 15.

BASEBALL LEAGUE STARTS WITH "NEEDLE" MATCH

By "Grandstand"

TO-DAY MARKS the opening of the Hong Kong Baseball League pennant race for the Bagram shield and the Brown Cup.

At 2.30 p.m. on the Naval ground at Caroline Hill, Mr. Addison E. Southard, Consul-General for the United States of America in Hong Kong, will throw the first ball to inaugurate a new season, which promises to be better than last year.

In the opening tilt H.B. lock horns with U.S.S. Mindanao and a great battle should be staged from the time chief umpire Doc Molthen shouts "play ball" till the last man in is out.

H.B. and Mindanao have the strongest squads in the League this season and a high standard of baseball should be dished out to fans who journey to Caroline Hill this afternoon. Besides, the Leonardmen and the Chasemen are great rivals on the diamond and no quarter will be asked for or given.

Doc Molthen, who is to umpire the game from behind the plate, has brushed up on his rules in anticipation of some explosive squawks which may arise.

As both teams are about of the same strength and calibre, it's hard to predict the victor, although I give the edge to the Leonardmen to take the American bluejackets in a close struggle.

If Madeen Arculli, who will be toeing the rubber for H.B., keeps cool and depends more on his fielders instead of trying to strike out every batter who faces him, he will have a better chance of chalking up a victory for his team.

Red Keplinger will probably be on the mound for Mindanao and if he touches his recent form, the H.B. sluggers will find trouble touching him for very many solid blows.

Mindanao's hind snatching department is still rather weak with Poochie Chase and Padgett taking turns behind the bat. H.B. will no doubt take advantage of this weakness by pilfering all around when they get on.

SOCCER TEAM RETURNS

The Colony Interport soccer team, which lost the big match against Saigon after winning against Cambodia and Saigon "B", returned to the Colony this morning.

TO-MORROW'S GAME

To-morrow, South China were scheduled to tangle with Hong Kong Baseball Club. South China, however, will not be able to field a team so early in the campaign and have asked the League to give them another week to get into shape.

At 11 a.m. Chung Hwa meet Royal Engineers. This is the first League game for the Sappers and I don't think Chung Hwa will have much trouble in taking them to town. The Chinese line-up does not look very impressive on paper and I shall not be a bit surprised if the Sappers give them a good run for their money. The R.E.'s are keen as mustard and they will be there fighting from start to finish.

PROBABLE LINE-UPS

U.B.		MINDANAO
M. Arculli	P	Red Keplinger
H. Winglee	C	Padgett
T. Leonard	1b	Douglas
G. Souza	2b	Poochie Chase
Zinho Gosano	3b	Red Todd
D. Leonard	SS	Badbrick
H. Ali	lf	Wilson
S. Leonard	cf	Muscavage
A. A. Rumjahn	rf	Cook
Utility:		Cughail
A. K. Omar		Ruel
Tarsan Esmail		
Bakar		
S. Bux		

ROYAL ENGINEERS		CHUNG HWA
Denyer or Sarsfield	P	Bill Chang
Taylor	C	Nip Lum
Shaw	1b	R. Chung
Welfred	2b	Al Lau
Ings	3b	Tuffy Chinn
Mac	SS	Wally Ching
Fawley	lf	Babe Chinn
Wells or Harper	cf	Choy
Holden	rf	T. Mar or Bill Chinn

Home Soccer Scores

London, To-day. — The following were the results of regional soccer matches played in Scotland yesterday:—

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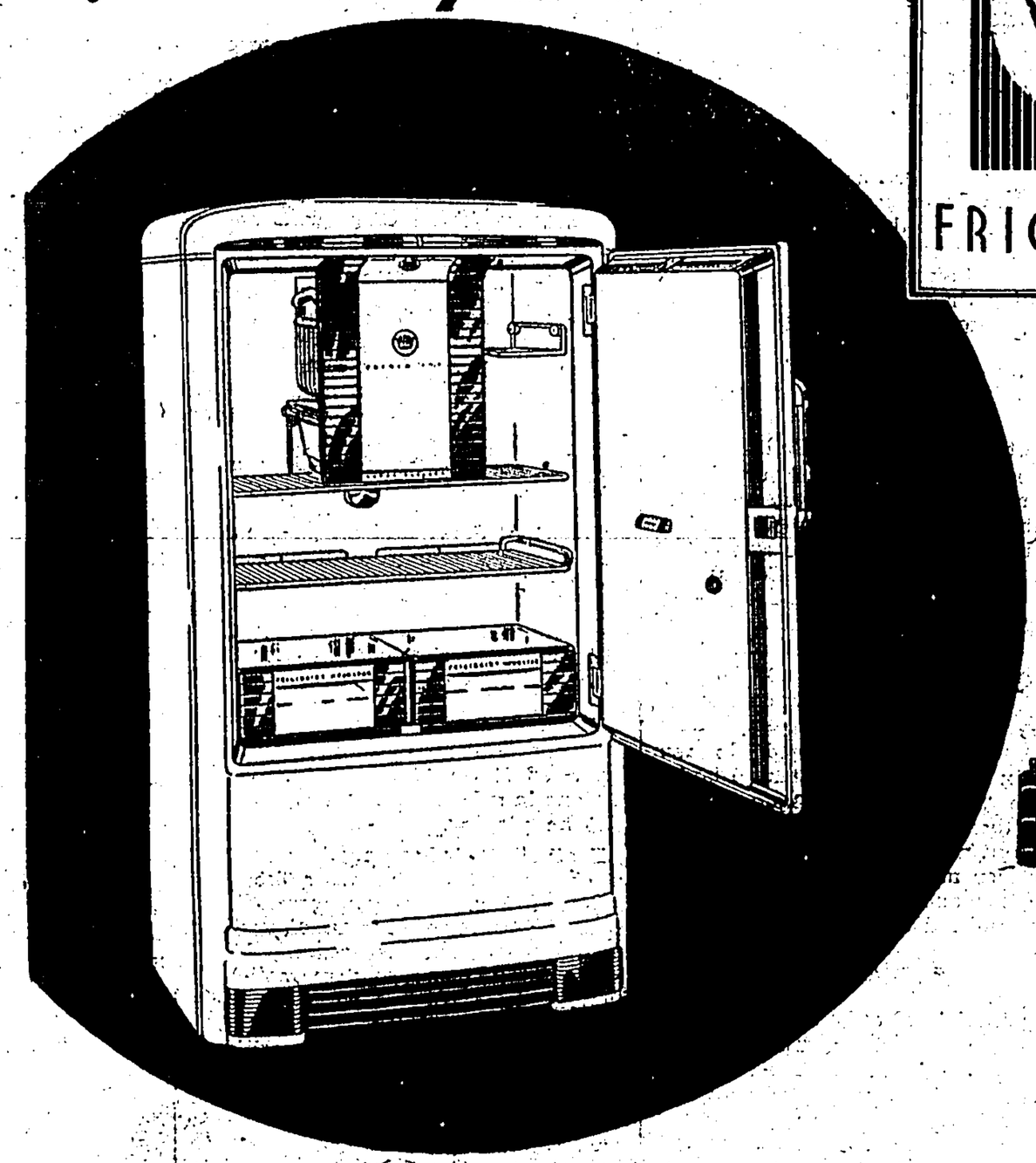

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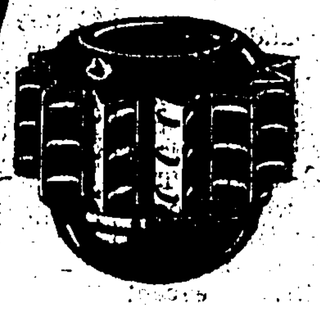

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The FIFTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd May, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be CLOSED from the 8th May to the 22nd May, 1940, both days inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 1st May, 1940.

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The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

By order of the Board.

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Hong Kong, 16th April, 1940.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4277	Argyle St., Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4207.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 12,000	$138	$9,600
			As per sale plan						

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
2	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2792	Junction of Castle Peak Road and Fat Tseung Street, Cheung Sha Wan.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 14,790	$204	$11,053
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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
3	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4278	South-West of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1040, Ha Heung Road, To Kwa Wan.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 3,720	$93	$2,790
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GERMANS HURL IN ENTIRE WEIGHT

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petrol supplies in Holland were destroyed before the surrender.—Reuter.

Attacks At Dawn

A French military spokesman said that the Germans had resumed their attacks at dawn yesterday, in three main directions:—

1. Against positions held by British troops in Central Belgium, notably at Louvain;

2. Into the large salient driven into France north of Sedan; and

3. At Sedan itself and to the south of it.

For the immediate present, the most serious was the second. This was between the Sambre and Rethel, which is about 25 miles south-west of Sedan and about the same distance north-east of Rheims.

The French communique yesterday morning indicated that the Nazi salient here is a line some 50 miles long along the frontier and extends anything up to 30 miles into France.

The French military spokesman said that this was an important salient.

Curtaining Salient

The first thing to do was to run a ring round the salient and curtain it by sending units to take up positions to stop further advances. Then, one must make up one's mind whether to counter-attack here, or attack elsewhere.

"That is a job for the High Command," he said.

He indicated that good progress had been made towards curtaining the enemy's advance positions.

Nothing is yet know about yesterday morning's attacks. It is reported reliably, however, that the Germans again used massed tanks, with bombing 'planes in close support.

The losses the enemy must have suffered during the last few days cannot possibly be estimated, but there is every reason to believe that they must have been heavy.

Desperate Gamble

The whole operation seems to have been a desperate gamble, in which the Nazis are flinging all their strength into the fray, regardless of losses.

Some quarters compare the battle of the Meuse with that of Verdun in the last war. The battle at Verdun lasted a considerable time, and, they say, the present battle may go on for days or even weeks, with varying fortunes to either side.

South of Sedan, where there is no comparable break-through, the Germans yesterday resumed the heavy attacks of the night and the day before.

A French military spokesman, indicating the fierceness of the fighting, said that woods and villages were taken and re-taken during the day, some of them changing hands five and six times.—Reuter.

Belgian Communique

Brussels, To-day.

Last night's Belgian war communique stated: "Our troops methodically carried out movements foreseen by the plan of operation.

"During yesterday afternoon a regiment of light infantry which was participating in the defence of the canal distinguished itself by repulsing with heavy losses German units which attempted to cross by foot-bridge."—Reuter.

Hard Engagements

London, To-day.

A Belgian High Command communique yesterday stated that, 'In connection with the operations undertaken by the Allied forces and in close co-operation with Allied troops, Belgian troops had taken up new positions with calm and in good order.

Despite the many hard engagements in which many units have taken part since the invasion began, the communique continues, the Belgian Army remains intact and retains its high morale.

Little is yet known of the attacks in this sector, but Paris reports indicate that fighting is proceeding in the vicinity of Louvain and Malines. —Reuter.

** Malines is roughly half-way between Louvain and Antwerp.

In New Positions

London, To-day.

A Belgian High Command communique issued at noon yesterday says: In connection with operations undertaken by the Allied forces and in close co-operation with Allied troops, Belgian troops have taken up new positions with calm and in good order.

"Despite many hard engagements, in which many units were taken prisoner, since hostilities began our army remains intact and retains its high morale.—Reuter.

Violent Attack

Paris; To-day.

It is learned the Germans have launched a very violent attack north-west of Rethel, at the base of the pocket formed by their thrust into French territory.

The Nazis have also launched two other attacks neither of which was pushed to any depth—one against the Dyle line east of Brussels which is held by the British, and the other south of Sedan.

Details of the attacks have not yet been received.—Reuter.

Berlin, To-day.

The official German News Agency states that German troops, advancing from the north, have pushed up to the fortress of Antwerp.

The agency also states that following a comprehensive attack, Louvain fell yesterday.—Reuter.

COMPLETE CONFIDENCE

London, To-day.

The present position of the battle line in France is regarded by authoritative quarters as very serious but latest reports indicate it is better than the two previous days and the situation is viewed with complete confidence.

Latest reports prove beyond question that man for man and machine for machine our air forces have shown themselves infinitely superior to the enemy.

French quarters compare the Battle of the Meuse with the Battle of Verdun in the last war which raged for a long time.

Quick results are not expected.—Reuter.

Fighting Very Hard

Paris, To-day.

"The fighting throughout the day has been very hard," declared the spokesman of the Ministry of Information yesterday afternoon.

The outcome of the operations in the West is being awaited with quiet confidence in well-informed circles here.

Further praise for the part the R.A.F. is playing was expressed when the comment was "Their help has been more than efficacious."—Reuter.

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An order is gazetted to-day, on the authority of the Governor-in-Council prohibiting the importation of cargo from Canton by steamer or motor vessel, until further notice.

Stockholm, To-day.

"There are thousands of German soldiers in Norway but it is reported from various quarters that no soldier comes by sea," says the Oslo correspondent of the "Oestgoeten."

The correspondent says the British minefield is extremely effective and the same transport ships leave Oslo and return with the same troops.

On Friday morning, aircraft in hundreds left for Germany and during the day warships left in an attempt to break through the British minefield.

A Norwegian engineer told the correspondent the general opinion in naval circles was that the British had won the Norwegian war.

It was Britain's intention to destroy the German fleet and this was successful with the help of the Norwegians. Over half the German fleet was sunk and the wreck of the Emden in Oslo harbour was an example of the British triumph.

German minesweepers in Oslo and elsewhere have little chance to sweep the large stable minefield laid by the British.

It is the general opinion in Oslo that the present war demonstrated the truth of the saying "England loses all the battles except the last which is won by the rulers of the seas."

In view of the fact that the Emden was sunk it is interesting to note that a warship with the name Emden in Oslo harbour is a large destroyer on which the name has been painted in order to counter reports of her sinking.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

A War Office communique states that during the night of May 16/17 certain adjustments of the front having become necessary, the B.E.F. was withdrawn to positions west of Brussels.

This adjustment was carried out without interference. There was no question of any collapse or break through this sector, as suggested by the German communique. — Reuter.

London, To-day.

The King last evening visited the War Office where he received the latest information in regard to the situation on the western front.

Later His Majesty at a Privy Council meeting at Buckingham Palace approved an Order-in-Council dealing with the establishment of the anti-parachute troops corps and later received the Premier, Mr. Churchill. — Reuter.

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